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Britain Imposes New Taxes to Meet Armament Bill

Higher Levies On Automobiles, Sugar, Tobacco Announced

Record Peace Budget

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LONDON (AP)—Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented his second budget in the House of Commons today, announcing new taxes designed to raise £24,000,000 (\$112,800,000) in the 1939-40 fiscal year, but leaving the already high income tax unchanged.

The budget for the year, which began April 1, totals £922,444,000 (\$4,497,037,920). It is the biggest in British peace-time history.

The ministry will spend £630,000,000 or more on defence during the twelve months.

The government is placing most of the burden of extra taxation to meet its gigantic rearmament bill on motorists and smokers.

MOTORISTS HIT

Announcing an increase in the horsepower tax on private automobiles from 15 shillings a horsepower to 25 shillings a horsepower, Sir John said this big boost would provide £11,500,000 (\$53,800,000) in a year. The new tax, however, will not be effective until January 1, 1940. Duty on motorcycles will be correspondingly increased.

The Chancellor also announced increased taxes on tobacco and sugar. The basic duty on tobacco will be raised from nine shillings and sixpence a pound to eleven shillings and sixpence a pound.

The duty on sugar will be increased by one farthing (approximately half a cent) a pound, effective from 5 p.m. today, and will mean an extra two shillings and fourpence on each 100 pounds of sugar imported.

An excise duty on photographic film and plates manufactured in the United Kingdom is expected to yield more than £500,000.

Sir John gave a concession to movie and theatre goers by reducing the entertainment admission tax by one penny (two cents).

SURTAX INCREASED

The budget strikes at pocket books of those with big incomes by increasing the surtax, a further 5 per cent on incomes up to £8,000 and a further 10 per cent on incomes over £8,000.

The surcharge, or surtax, is a special additional income tax levied on those earning £2,000 or more.

The Chancellor hinted he would introduce legislation later, probably with retroactive application aimed at "one-man companies," a device used by some wealthy persons to evade taxes.

Another tax increase is in estate duties, which will be increased on 10 per cent of existing duty on estates exceeding £50,000 in value.

When Sir John said the present income tax rate of five shillings sixpence in the pound, or 27½ per cent, "is already within sixpence of the highest point even reached in war," the intent House gave audible sighs of relief.

Sir John said changes in taxation would bring total revenue for

Conscription Plan in Britain

Reported Cabinet Will Ask Parliament to Vote Youths 18 to 21 Into Service

LONDON (AP)—The cabinet was reported to have decided tonight in a two-hour session on compulsory military service for men between the ages of 18 and 21.

More than 1,000,000 men would be affected, it was estimated. Prime Minister Chamberlain went to Buckingham Palace after the session. It was believed he placed before the King his reasons for deciding to train the youth of the nation for military service.

It was reported the government was pushing its plans for a new military service system with the intention of announcing them before Chancellor Hitler answers the Roosevelt peace appeal in his Reichstag speech next Friday.

An opportunity for announcement of the government's reported decision will come tomorrow when a motion calling for conscription will be before the House of Lords.

MESSAGE TO HITLER

Sir Neville Henderson, who returned to his post as ambassador to Germany yesterday after five weeks' absence, was described in reliable quarters as having been directed to tell Chancellor Hitler that the British government was taking a far-reaching decision in favor of conscription.

Hitler was to be advised, it was said, that the step was being taken as a matter of self-defence in the present world situation and as a reflection of popular sentiment in the nation.

Roosevelt Makes Hitler Message to Southwest Africa

Government Reorganization Plan Would Save \$15,000,000 Yearly

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt submitted today a sweeping government reorganization plan calling for creation of three new Federal agencies by merging welfare, works and lending functions.

A fourth point of the plan, first to be projected under the recently enacted U.S. Government Reorganization Act, calls for transfer of the budget bureau from the treasury to the executive office.

A new federal security agency would be created, as well as a federal works agency and a federal loan agency.

The President estimated the reorganization plan would result in an annual saving of from \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000. He placed the present overhead of all the agencies concerned at about \$235,000,000.

The plan will become effective at the end of 60 days unless both Houses of Congress vote against it.

1939 to \$942,600,000, providing a probable surplus of \$156,000,000.

One of the features of the budget was the announcement that the government would spend \$630,000,000 (approximately \$2,948,400,000) and possibly more on defence.

At least half of this sum will be met by loans. But the Chancellor explained \$24,000,000 would have to be raised by additional taxation "to bridge the gap."

The government originally estimated \$580,000,000 would be spent this year on defence, but the decision to double the territorial army increased this figure. The amount to be borrowed is \$380,000,000. Under existing legislation, the government has the power to borrow \$400,000,000.

FOOD RESERVES

Sir John disclosed \$5,000,000 had been set aside for expenditure on food reserves in the new budget.

On the basis of existing taxation the Treasury would have netted £918,330,000 this year, leaving aside self-balancing services like the post office. Additional taxes were designed to add £24,000,000, making it possible to balance the budget. The budget last year was £944,389,000.

"The country is thoroughly aroused to further sacrifice," Sir John said in announcing the huge total for defence expenditure.

"The expenditure to meet defence needs is approved by the general sense of the country and of Parliament."

Revise Royal Program for Longer Drive

King and Queen to Visit All Municipalities On May 30 Tour

Change Approved

Revision of the Royal Visit program to make provision for an extended drive by Their Majesties into the surrounding municipalities on the morning of May 30, as suggested by Mayor Andrew McGavin and municipal representatives, has been approved, it was learned at the City Hall today.

Authorization for the change in arrangements was made on the understanding the switch would not require an extension of the Royal couple's public appearance time on May 30.

As it now stands, the schedule calls for the drive through Greater Victoria from 11:20 to 12:20, and the presentation of colors to the Canadian flag at Beacon Hill Park at 2:20.

The alteration will give the municipalities an opportunity to line up school children at certain specified points within their boundaries, will relieve congestion in the city itself to a certain extent, and will provide a longer route along which the public generally will be able to secure vantage points from which to view the procession.

ROUTE OF DRIVE

The route, as drafted at the City Hall, for the morning drive follows: Leave Parliament Buildings at 11:20 and proceed via Belleville Street to Douglas Street to Johnson Street to Esquimalt Road to Lampson Street to Tillicum Road to Gorge Road to Hillside Avenue to Fernwood Road to Haultain Street to Richmond Road to Fort Street to Cadboro Bay Road to Hampshire Road to Oak Bay Avenue to Fort Street to Government Street to Empress Hotel, arriving at the Empress Hotel at 12:20.

Following a rest period there, and presentations on the way to the dining room, the luncheon will commence at 1. It is scheduled to end at 2:10 with His Majesty's speech.

The program calls for the departure from the Empress Hotel at 2:20. The party is scheduled to proceed via Belleville Street to Blanshard Street to Humboldt Street to Beacon Hill Park for the presentation of colors to the Royal Canadian Navy and thence, by the Dallas Road to Linden Avenue to Rockland Avenue to Government House, arriving there at 3.

EARLY EVENTS UNCHANGED

Events prior to the morning drive would be left as originally scheduled with the King and Queen and escort leaving Government House at 10 and proceeding via Joan Crescent to the junction of Yates and Fort Streets, down Yates to Douglas Street and along Douglas to the City Hall.

Arrival at the City Hall is scheduled for 10:15. Fifteen minutes are allowed for functions there before the Royal party proceeds via Cormorant and Government Streets to the Parliament Buildings, arriving there at 10:42. Departure from the Parliament Buildings at 11:20 will mark the start of the long drive.

RADIO CAMPAIGN

BERLIN (CP-Havas)—The Reich government today began short-wave radio broadcasts in Arabic and Afrikaans, the latter the language of the Dutch settlers of the Union of South Africa.

The broadcasts will take place daily "and if necessary will be made in other languages," it was officially announced.

UNION LEARNS OF APPEAL TO GERMANS

Broadcasts From Reich

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (CP-Reuters)—Delivery of a special message from Chancellor Hitler to the German community in Southwest Africa provoked comment here today.

The Chancellor's message was conveyed to the German residents in the former Reich colonial territory now under mandate to South Africa, by the German consul-general at Windhoek last Sunday. The consul urged the Germans "to swear undying allegiance and loyalty to the Fuehrer through thick and thin, no matter what came, and in all circumstances."

The consul said that before he left Germany recently Hitler saw him and asked him to deliver a special message to the Germans of Southwest Africa, thanking them for their past loyalty and expressing hope it would continue.

RIVER FLOOD LOSSES IN INDIANA

This picture taken from an airplane gives an impression of the conditions from which Aurora, Ind., is recovering. The citizens have a big task tidying up and repairing as a result of the sudden rise of the Ohio River.

Dunning Places 1938-39 Deficit At \$55,666,000

Wheat Board Loss Major Factor in Budget Unbalance

Put at \$25,000,000

OTTAWA (CP)—Allowing for a \$25,000,000 loss on the guaranteed wheat price, Finance Minister Dunning told the House of Commons this afternoon he expected the overall deficit for the fiscal year 1938-39 to reach \$55,666,000.

Delivering his annual budget address, he presented the customary financial review for the fiscal year ended last March 31. In his budget address last June he estimated a deficit of \$23,000,000. The comparable deficit for 1937-38 was \$17,715,000.

The figures are subject to revision since final results for 1938-39 have not been ascertained.

It was impossible for the minister to say what the Wheat Board loss would be and he chose the arbitrary figure of \$25,000,000 as a reserve against possible wheat marketing losses.

Last June Mr. Dunning forecast revenues for the fiscal year of \$501,700,000. Today he estimated the final returns would show a total revenue of \$501,677,000, a decrease of \$15,016,000 from the record high of the preceding year but still higher than any other year in Canada's history.

OVER-EXPENDITURE

Expenditures had been estimated last year at \$524,600,000. "That estimate has been exceeded because of the disappointingly poor earnings of the government-owned railway system and the prospective losses in wheat marketing," the minister said.

The grand total of expenditures will reach \$557,343,000, Mr. Dunning continued. Ordinary expenditures were approximately \$416,372,000, an increase of \$1,480,000 over the previous year.

Special expenditures for relief and agricultural distress amounted to \$48,583,000, which was \$20,000,000 less than the previous year. The Canadian National Railways deficit was \$54,314,000, an increase of \$11,968,000.

Over-all deficits for the five years beginning with the fiscal year 1934-35 were respectively as follows: \$116,133,000, \$159,989,000, \$77,851,000, \$17,715,000, and \$55,666,000.

NATIONAL DEBT

The net national debt at March 31, 1939, was estimated at \$3,157,334,000. Gross liabilities were \$3,642,049,000 and active assets \$484,715,000.

In view of the world trade recession, Mr. Dunning said he thought result of the past year would have been encouraging, but for the necessity for making a large provision for possible losses on wheat marketing. (Some estimates had placed this loss as high as \$48,000,000.)

On this point Mr. Dunning said: "Our experience in 1935-36 shows how quickly an apparent loss of very large proportions can be wiped out by rapid changes in the level of wheat prices resulting from actual or anticipated changes in the world supply and demand situation."

"Nevertheless, it seems to be only sound common sense to take account of present facts and the immediate outlook."

Minor Tax Changes In Dominion Budget

Premiers Hear Dunning

OTTAWA (CP)—Crowds gathered in the Parliament Buildings early this afternoon to hear Finance Minister Charles Dunning deliver his budget speech.

Two provincial premiers, Hon. John Bracken of Manitoba and Hon. W. J. Patterson of Saskatchewan, as well as several of their cabinet ministers, were gallery spectators as the minister spoke.

Mrs. Dunning sat in the gallery directly facing her husband. Graham Towers, governor of the Bank of Canada, entered the gallery just as Mr. Dunning rose to begin his address at 3:16 p.m., after the usual questions from private members.

There was a flurry of applause as the minister began his speech.

Wider Investments Urged

OTTAWA (CP)—"Our taxes are high, but we do not bury the money we take in taxes, as one might gather from what some speakers say," declared Finance Minister Dunning in his budget speech in the Commons this afternoon.

Of business, he said: "I am satisfied that the low level of new investment in Canada is a challenge to our financial, industrial and scientific leaders to a even greater degree than it is to Parliament."

Of the international affairs he said: "We are an organized part of a troubled and seemingly crazy world, and the impact of that world effects us abnormally by reason of the instantaneous transmission of news and rumors by means of the radio, telegraph and telephone."

Home Building Gains

OTTAWA (CP)—Contracts for residential construction during the first three months of 1939, increased 91.1 per cent over the corresponding period in 1938, Finance Minister Dunning told the House of Commons today in his budget speech.

For the fiscal year ended last March 31, contracts for residential construction increased 16.5 per cent over the preceding year, but the value of total construction as indicated by contracts awarded was 13.8 per cent less than the previous year. About a third of this decline appeared to be due to lower construction costs, the minister said.

Income Tax Sets Record

OTTAWA (CP)—Income tax payments furnished the largest single item of government revenues during the last fiscal year, it was revealed in Finance Minister Dunning's budget speech in the Commons today.

The total was \$142,025,000, the highest ever reported, and an increase of 18 per cent over the previous year. Of this total \$85,185,000 was from the tax on corporation incomes, \$46,937,000 from individual incomes and \$9,903,000 from the 5 per cent tax on interest and dividends.

Second largest producer was the sales tax, which amounted to \$119,460,000, a decrease of \$18,555,000 compared with the previous year. Other excise taxes produced \$42,240,000, a decrease of \$24,000. Excise duties, mainly on liquor and tobacco, remained practically unchanged at \$51,313,000.

Customs duties yielded an estimated \$78,750,000, a decrease of \$14,706,000.

Tariff Adjustments

OTTAWA (CP)—Proposed reductions in duties announced in the budget today, include those applicable to starch, professional reference books, various oxides used in steel-making, soda ash, cod liver oil, piston ring castings of iron-brass wire for foundrymen, apparatus used in beet-sugar refineries, gas welding apparatus, many parts used in manufacturing radio sets or radio tubes, commercial bakery ovens, metal-faced plywoods, filter cloths, safety helmets, worsted yarns used in weaving six-ounce cloths, certain yarns for brading purposes, coke used in making

rock wool, fish meal, certain billets of wood, cotton fabrics for handkerchiefs, and materials and parts, of a class of kind not made in Canada, used in making machinery, dutiable under a number of tariff items.

INCREASES

Proposed increases in duties include: (1) Increases under the general tariff only on cocoa beans, fresh tomatoes and bananas; (2) increases under both intermediate and general tariffs on certain dextrines, cornmeal, corn for distilling purposes; primary forms of tin, crude rubber and combs; (3) increases under all tariffs on coco mats and matting.

"If that fear should take root, nothing which a government could do short of taking over gradually the whole field of private enterprise, could offset the slowing up of private enterprise and the reduction in employment and incomes to which fear and uncertainty would give rise."

Business and financial leaders were urged to make every effort to expand production, employment and incomes in order to avoid the need for governments embarking on work-creating programs.

RAISE INCOME

Canada's economy could be so galvanized "that national income will be raised to a point where unbalanced budgets will be a nightmare of the past for the nation as well as for the individual citizen."

Many of the tariff changes, said Mr. Dunning, arose from the trade agreement with the United States.

A resolution would provide for the removal of the special excise tax of 3 per cent from all imports into Canada under any tariff more favorable than the general tariff. Canada undertook to remove this tax from goods covered by the Canada-United States trade agreement.

"Any further removal of this tax is not a matter for negotiation with another country, but is entirely a matter of domestic policy for Canada," said Mr. Dunning.

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El Morocco to Shut

NEW YORK (AP)—In a move to end night club bawling, Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia has ordered revoked the cabaret license of El Morocco, a leading rendezvous of New York "cave society."

THE WEATHER

VICTORIA, 5 a.m. today—Pressure is quite low on the North Pacific. The moderate disturbance off Queen Charlotte Islands is being reinforced by a more severe one off the Alaska coast. Strong winds and cool, showery weather prevail on the coast of British Columbia, while it has been mostly fair in the interior of this province. Light rains have occurred on the prairies.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, max. 52, min. 46; wind, 6 miles N.E.; precip., 0.02; cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, max. 50, min. 40; wind, 14 miles S.E.; precip., 11; cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.26; temperature, max. 46, min. 36; wind, 12 miles S.E.; precip., 22; raining.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, max. 60, min. 48; wind, 6 miles W.; clear.

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	52	46
Nanaimo	54	48
Vancouver	50	40
New Westminster	47	39
Prince Rupert	46	36
Dawson	46	32
Seattle	52	42
Portland	54	48
San Francisco	60	48
Kamloops	64	48
Prince George	52	30
Kelowna	56	44
Penticton	56	44
Vernon	56	44
Nelson	56	44
Grand Forks	56	44
Kaslo	56	44
Calgary	56	44
Edmonton	56	44
Prince Albert	56	44
Regina	56	44
Winnipeg	56	44
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Halifax	56	44

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CROWN STAYS IN ENGLAND

LONDON (CP) — The King will not take the Imperial state crown to Canada, it was learned today from an official source.

The crown, which His Majesty wears on state occasions, will be left behind when the King and Queen embark on the battle-cruiser Repulse at Portsmouth May 6.

The reason is understood to be that it is hardly likely that Canada's Parliament will be ready for prorogation when their Majesties are in Canada.

The King, however, will appear in Parliament at Ottawa and give Royal assent to bills which have been enacted.

The last occasion on which a sovereign gave personal Royal assent to an act of Parliament was believed to have been at Westminster on August 12, 1870 by Queen Victoria.

FASCIST GROUPS IN SASKATCHEWAN

Meeting Told Four Active Organizations Have 19,000 Members

SASKATOON (CP) — Four Fascist organizations operating in northern Saskatchewan are reported to claim a membership of 19,000 persons. C. E. Deatley, secretary of the Saskatchewan Trades and Labor Council, gave the figure to delegates from 17 city organizations who met last night and discussed the question of Nazi activity in this province.

A delegate from the Rank and File Veterans' organization, who said his group had been investigating Nazi activity for months, stated he had information of planned acts of sabotage by Fascist groups. He was not able to disclose more than this, he said, because the information was not for public release.

The meeting, called by the Trades and Labor Council, was attended by 34 delegates representing 17 organizations ranging from trades unions to fraternal groups. Only three organizations which were invited failed to have delegates in attendance.

The meeting decided that activity to counter Nazi propaganda should be continued.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Don't Betray China" — Lecture by Miss Loh Tse, Thursday, April 27, Chamber of Commerce, 8.30. Tickets, Marionette Library, 75c, 50c, 25c.

"I put errors of treatment as the chief cause of disorders in animals. They are given mixtures which lurk in their blood and give rise to morbid symptoms. What is needed today is not laboratories for the preparation of vaccine, but institutes for training men in the art of diagnosis." (P. J. O'Connor, animal consultant, in his article "Candid Advice to the Agricultural Research Council," England). — Anti-Vivisection Society.

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Storm in Senate Rail Hearing On Montreal Station

Lively Debate On
Whether Union Station
Within Inquiry Scope

OTTAWA (CP) — A violent storm lashed the Senate railway committee today, raging for upward of an hour and centering on the question whether the matter of a union terminal in Montreal came within the scope of the committee's inquiry.

Heated voices charged Government Leader Raoul Dandurand with seeking to tie the hands of the committee by his insistence that discussion of joint terminal facilities for the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific in Montreal was taboo.

While the committee could examine the spending of \$16,000,000 already disbursed on the C.N.R.'s tunnel station and was at liberty to discuss the proposal to spend \$12,000,000 more, it could not hook the matter up with the C.P.R.'s proposal for joint terminals at Windsor Street, he said.

It was simply none of the C.P.R.'s business, said Senator Dandurand, what the C.N.R. was doing at the tunnel station. Parliament had decided that in 1929. Consequently the policy of better C.N.R. terminal facilities was fixed.

Conservative Leader Arthur Meighen voiced amazement at Mr. Dandurand's attitude. Last week C.N.R. witnesses had been heard by a Commons committee on the tunnel-terminal plan. He said apparently all that was to be done about the matter by the Senate committee was to incorporate the Commons evidence in the Senate committee's proceedings, hear Senator Dandurand's comment on it and let it go at that.

Having regard to the reasons for the committee's existence, Senator Meighen found Mr. Dandurand's position unsupportable. The committee might as well give up its work.

Other Senators joined in the discussion, which developed into a free-for-all. It began when the government leader suggested that C.N.R. witnesses might be summoned to enlarge on the evidence they had given before the Commons committee last week on the tunnel terminal plan. To a suggestion that this might be taken in conjunction with evidence relating to joint terminals, Mr. Dandurand said curtly that he "was not in favor of that."

"One must not forget that the C.N.R. terminal at the tunnel is a fact, that it has been in existence for a long time and that it is being used by the railway," said Senator Dandurand.

MEIGHEN PERPLEXED

"I am utterly perplexed to follow the government leader's argument," said Senator Meighen. "He says this thing can't be done, that it is not an issue before this committee."

"He says we can discuss the merits of the Montreal terminal so long as we don't discuss what better can be done," Senator Meighen declared. "That is to say, the government can close the mouths of this committee just by spending money. We can't discuss whether it is or is not good policy for Canada."

Sensor Dandurand recalled the C.N.R. terminal project had been unanimously approved by the Commons committee.

"Naturally it would be," commented Senator J. A. Calder, Conservative, Saskatchewan. "There is an election in sight."

SOCIALIST ENTERS BY-ELECTION RACE

Four Candidates
Officially Nominated in
Vancouver Centre

VANCOUVER (CP) — Four candidates, including two Vancouver aldermen and a former juvenile court judge of adjoining Burnaby municipality, will contest the by-election here May 1 to choose a successor to Alderman Fred Crane, Liberal member of the British Columbia Legislature for Vancouver Centre who died recently.

All candidates were chosen last week. Nominations closed yesterday.

First candidate named was Alderman H. L. Corey, chosen Liberal candidate at a nominating convention here a week ago.

Conservatives and the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation named their candidates at conventions last Wednesday. Alderman Halford D. Wilson, chairman of the civic airport committee, being chosen by the Conservatives and Mrs. Stuart Jamieson, one-time juvenile court judge, being the C.C.F. choice.

The fourth candidate, J. H. Burroughs, was named last Tuesday to represent the Socialist Party of Canada.

ALBERTA OIL FOR BRITISH NAVY

London Officials
To Test Fuel On
Fleet's Requirements

LONDON (CP-Havas) — Possibility of using Canadian oil to fuel British ships and planes in time of war was raised in the House of Commons today.

Capt. Leonard Plugge, Conservative, asked the Dominions Secretary, Sir Thomas Inskip, "whether he can make any statement as to the possibilities of using the oil supplies of Alberta in time of war, and whether any co-operation in this matter with the Alberta government has been considered by his department."

"The possibility of using oil supplies of Alberta depends primarily on the suitability of its products for the Admiralty or Air Force requirements," Sir Thomas replied. "Representatives (of Alberta) in this country are in touch with the Admiralty, Air Ministry and other departments concerned."

Sees Openings For Investments

Canada Can Develop and
Expand Industries,
Dunning Declares

OTTAWA (CP) — Development of new industries in Canada through research should open the way to investment, Hon. Charles Dunning told the Commons this afternoon in his budget speech.

"I have pointed out the great opportunities which exist in the field of housing," the finance minister said. "Can we not in other fields, manufacturing, merchandising, transport and the service industries, apply new methods and modernize equipment in order to reduce costs, lower prices and thereby expand our markets both at home and abroad? Cannot we adopt new ideas developed during recent years in other countries without waiting for branch plants or refugees with capital to bring them to us?"

"Have our other industries explored at all fully the possibilities of research which has proved such a profitable investment in the nickel and the chemical industries? Have we fully explored the possibilities of processing our raw materials before exporting them?"

"These are vital questions for Canada's future."

GERMAN QUITS CLAIMS INQUIRY

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dr. Victor Huecking, German member of the Mixed Claims Commission, has quit the tribunal in the midst of its deliberations over Great War sabotage claims, it was learned today, and has been recalled permanently to Berlin.

An authoritative source said his departure "undoubtedly meant Germany had scant hope of winning the cases." This source saw in the recall a possible German move to prevent any decision in the near future.

The claims total \$50,000,000 and were made by Americans against Germany as a result of the destruction of a railroad terminal at Black Tom, N.J., and an arsenal at Kingsland, N.J., before the United States entered the World War.

Huecking's departure from the United States came shortly after the commission in January heard final arguments on a United States motion to reverse a decision made in Hamburg which exonerated Germany for the losses.

It was authoritatively said in American quarters the absence of a German member at this stage of the litigation, however, would have no effect on the ultimate outcome.

Should the final decision go against Germany, there is in the treasury to meet it a special German deposit account of approximately \$20,000,000 in cash and bonds with a face value of \$500,000,000.

London Clearing Plan
For U.S. Securities

LONDON (AP) — The question of forming a clearing house for United States securities in London was under active discussion today between interests handling such securities here and similar houses in the United States.

Under the plan, buying or selling orders on New York would go to a clearing house, where sales would be offset against purchases and only the net balance arranged for shipment across the ocean.

It was believed some British capital thus would be saved from export and made available for further financing here.

Hart Announces B.C. Debt Reduced

Net Obligations Cut By
\$1,366,000 Last Year,
Says Finance Minister

VANCOUVER — Hon. John Hart, British Columbia finance minister, told a Liberal by-election rally last night that the \$5,000,000 loan he negotiated on March 31 was to help pay the province's unemployment relief bill in the fiscal year 1938-39.

Despite this borrowing, he declared, the treasury reports a reduction of \$2,327,000 in the gross debt and \$1,366,000 in the net debt for the last year. The reduction was made through the retirement of maturities totaling \$5,000,000 and payment of \$700,000 on serial bonds, which more than offset the new borrowing.

REVENUES AT RECORD

The government's revenues reached an all-time record total of \$22,600,000 in the fiscal year ended March 31 last, giving the treasury a surplus on operating account for the year of \$3,900,000 — also an all-time record for the province.

Out of revenue, he said, the treasury had set aside \$700,000 for retirement of serial bonds, paid off \$2,000,000 of provincial debt last July, made a \$1,000,000 payment into provincial sinking funds and paid \$1,000,000 toward the cost of unemployment relief.

"No other province in Canada, I submit, can show a financial statement like that," the Finance Minister said. Provincial government expenditures had increased by \$7,000,000 since the Pattullo government took office in 1933 and total expenditures last year were \$28,700,000.

But despite this big increase in expenditures, "confidence in the government" had resulted in revenues sufficiently high to provide the operating account surplus.

"We received the largest income in history because there is confidence in the government," Mr. Hart told his audience of about 300 persons in an east end auditorium.

"Large capitalists and corporations have come to British Columbia to help develop our resources. The largest part of our receipts are classified in the income tax bracket."

The Finance Minister said the 3 1/2 per cent rate obtained on the private loan of \$3,000,000 floated in New York recently was the lowest interest rate in the province's history.

"Our financial position is so strong one institution took the whole issue," he said.

Mr. Hart said the provincial debt in 1933 was \$166,000,000, at an average interest rate of 4.73 per cent, costing the public \$7,494,000 in carrying charges annually. The Liberal government, he said, had brought about a reduction to 4.24 per cent in carrying charges, so that while the debt had increased about \$20,000,000, interest payments were only \$16,000,000 a year more.

The Finance Minister said the province has \$51,000,000 in maturing obligations to meet by 1942.

All these maturities would be met as they fall due, he said. This year's \$5,000,000 would be met by writing a cheque for the amount if necessary, "and we can do it, too." Next year's obligations could be met the same way.

In 1941, a \$17,000,000 maturity of inscribed stock held in London would be met by a cash payment.

"It may be necessary to refund part of the P.G.E. issue in 1942," Mr. Hart told his audience. "But if we pay off \$17,000,000 one year, I assure you we won't have any trouble refunding if we need to."

Mr. Hart said: "I assert again there will be no default on provincial obligations so long as the Liberal Party is in charge of provincial affairs."

The rally addressed by Mr. Hart was in support of Alderman H. L. Corey, Liberal candidate in Vancouver Centre in the May 1 by-election.

Prince Rupert

Tax Rate Reduced

PRINCE RUPERT (CP) — City Commissioner W. J. Alder today set Prince Rupert's 1939 tax rate at 47.5 mills, a decrease of 2.5 mills from last year.

Thirty-five per cent of improvements are made taxable this year, compared with only 25 per cent in 1938 and, in previous years, there is a tax on 100 per cent of taxable land.

The 1939 rate is divided as follows: General 15.4 mills, schools 17.9, money debts 14.2 mills. Commissioner Alder said the city would have to raise only \$135,216.87 by taxation this year, against \$142,216.87 in 1938.

German Fleet's Cruise

VIGO, Spain — The German fleet of 25 ships on a training cruise in Spanish waters is due at the Port of Cadiz Thursday and at Algeciras, Malaga, Cueta and Tangier (the latter two in Morocco) before May 2.

HITLER'S PAPER MOCKS ROOSEVELT

Asks U.S. Guarantee
Not to Attack Haiti
And San Domingo

BERLIN (CP) — Chancellor Hitler's newspaper Voelkischer Beobachter mockingly asked today whether President Roosevelt would guarantee not to "attack Haiti and San Domingo during the next 25 years."

In his message to the Fuehrer proposing peace guarantees to 31 European nations, the newspaper said the President attempted to impute "to other countries all possible plans of conquest" while his own appetite for foreign territorial possessions unveils itself.

"We ask him therefore: Will he pledge himself not to direct any attack on Haiti, San Domingo (the Dominican republic), and Dutch possessions in the west Indies which now have become revealed as the object of American desirability?"

"The Beobachter's reference apparently was to a proposal of Senator Ernest Lundeen of Minnesota that the United States purchase Greenland and certain Netherlands possessions near the Panama Canal for defence bases."

It was disclosed the Fuehrer will deliver his answer to Mr. Roosevelt early Friday afternoon instead of in the evening as has been customary when he addresses the Reichstag. The Reichstag will be convened at noon (3 a.m., P.S.T.) Hitler's desire to reach as large a part of the world as possible was given as a reason for the move.

DISPUTE ON SUM GIVEN WOMAN

Vancouver and Kelowna
In Disagreement On
Liability for \$192.50

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver's social services committee and the city of Kelowna both disclaim liability for \$192.50 granted by the Vancouver Family Welfare Bureau to a 66-year-old woman who came here from Kelowna February 17, 1937.

Relief Administrator W. R. Bone yesterday said Brig.-Gen. J. A. Clark, chairman of the welfare bureau, had threatened to make a public issue of the case unless settlement was made.

Speaking of British Columbia's Residence and Responsibility Act, the relief administrator said "the weakness of the act is that it assigns responsibility among municipalities for care of their residents, but has no teeth to compel collection."

Kelowna refuses to reimburse the welfare bureau on the grounds that the woman was not destitute until May 1, 1938, while Vancouver's social services committee maintains she will not become a Vancouver responsibility until next February, when she will have established domicile here for three years.

Alderman H. L. Corey, social services committee chairman, said a court action "would at least clarify some of the sections of the act that need clarification."

The committee decided to request Kelowna officials and the welfare bureau to sit in on a three-day arbitration over the matter next week.

New Auto Tax Shocks Motorists

LONDON (CP) — Announcement by Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, boosting the automobile tax from 15 shillings (about \$3.75) to 25 shillings per horsepower shocked British motorists, who last year contributed nearly \$85,000,000 to the nation's revenue.

A spokesman for the Automobile Association, commenting on the budget, said:

"The new duty on private cars is a severe blow indeed and it is difficult to see with what justification motorists have been again selected to carry an extra share."

An official of the Royal Automobile Club on the other hand believed motorists would bear the added burden "cheerfully as possible" in view of the urgent financial needs of the country.

London commentators generally considered it "not too bad a budget" for the "little man," even though he will feel heavily the sugar and tobacco tax increases.

27 Plotters Jailed

MOSCOW (AP) — Twenty-seven men charged with sabotage and espionage for an unidentified foreign power were reported today to have been convicted at Yevrva, in the Buryat Mongolian republic, and sentenced to six years' imprisonment.

The conspirators against the Soviet union included a Buddhist priest who was accused of operating under the cloak of religious activity.

Capital in Bren Guns \$431,511

Cash Put Up Totals
\$330,993, Commons
Committee Told

OTTAWA (CP) — Estimated capital to be employed by John Inglis Co. Limited of Toronto in production of Bren guns is \$431,511, the Public Accounts Committee of the House of Commons was told today in a letter from President James E. Hahn. Of this amount, \$287,674 will be employed in fulfilling the Canadian government contract for 7,000 guns and \$143,837 in fulfilling the British contract for 5,000 guns.

The total cash invested in the company by the shareholders was \$330,993. Capital subscribed but not paid up was \$19,044, making a total investment of \$349,998. The estimated loan requirement, based on anticipated business, was \$300,000, making a total capital of \$649,998.

C. Fraser Elliott, Commissioner of Income Tax, continued his evidence on the contract and said by reason of it Canada obtained capital assets at \$509,000 less than capital cost. Canada paid only two-thirds of the cost and the British government the other third, the machinery becoming the property of Canada on completion of the contract.

Apology to Ambassador

LONDON (AP) — The Daily Express, Independent, editorially offered regrets today to the United States ambassador, Joseph P. Kennedy, for an anti-Catholic incident last Friday at Edinburgh when the envoy was being given freedom of the city.

Nazis Hooded in Sydney

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (AP) — Police and fire brigades rushed out to scatter a crowd of angry Australian war veterans who massed before the German consulate Tuesday and shouted anti-Nazi slogans.

Police placed a cordon around the building, prevented demonstrators from hauling down the swastika and dispersed the crowd.

Relief Bill Voted

OTTAWA (CP) — The House of Commons last night gave third reading to the government's unemployment relief bill and second reading to the bill extending the term of office of Chief Justice Sir Lyman Duff of the Supreme Court of Canada for three years. Second reading also was given the government's cheese assistance bill.

Denmark Calls Troops

COPENHAGEN (CP-Havas) — The Danish government today announced that owing to international tension a large number of army and navy reservists were being called to the colors.

JUGOSLAV NAZI TREATY DENIED

No Commitments,
Says Foreign Minister
Leaving for Berlin

BELGRADE (AP) — Yugoslavia will make no new commitments to Germany, Alexander Cincina-Magkovich, foreign minister, said today before departing for Berlin.

The Foreign Office explained the Foreign Minister "seeks information, not treaties," and that in his talks with the Germans he would ask for clarification of certain questions raised in conversations with the Italian foreign minister, Count Galeazzo Ciano, at Venice last week-end.

Government spokesmen emphasized Yugoslavia's desire to remain as nearly neutral as possible between Europe's two rival camps. Nevertheless the country seeks expansion of markets and hopes commercial relations with the Reich will be improved by trade negotiations to begin at Cologne May 2.

TRAVELS BY PLANE

BERLIN (AP) — Foreign Minister Alexander Cincina-Magkovich of Yugoslavia arrived by airplane from Belgrade today to continue conversations, started last week-end in Venice, with Rome-Berlin axis officials.

He began conferences almost immediately with the German Foreign Minister, Joachim von Ribbentrop.

SECOND FRENCH STEAMER BURNED

TOULON, France (AP) — The French government today opened an investigation of what authorities thought might be the second case of sabotage against French merchant vessels within a week — the burning of the steamship Angers.

The 9,847-ton Angers was destroyed shortly before last midnight at La Seyne shipyard, near a powder and gasoline depot which serves the main French naval base at Toulon. The loss was estimated at 200,000 francs (\$2,200).

The Angers, formerly the Capacorn, built in 1917 at Hamburg, was being broken up.

The fire followed by two days the expulsion from Toulon of six Italian employees of a factory working on national defence orders. They were accused of spreading anti-French propaganda.

French Mission to U.S.

PARIS (AP) — Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet had a long conference today with the French deputy Francois de Tesson, former under-secretary of state for foreign affairs, who will leave tomorrow for the United States on a "personal mission," during which he is to see President Roosevelt.

Strict French Press Law Bars Racial Attacks

Foreign Propaganda
Also Forbidden By
Decree-power Law

PARIS (AP) — The French government today imposed a rigid press law forbidding publication of foreign propaganda and attacks on race or religion, under the penalty of heavy fines and imprisonment.

The government's sweeping control, established under its parliament-conferred dictatorial decree powers, was believed to be directed principally at curbing a growing number of pamphlets bitterly attacking Jews and at political journals accused of being subsidized from abroad.

Members of the government in the past have expressed fear that money from Germany and Italy was being successfully distributed to some sections of the French press either as outright bribes or disguised as advertising.

The decree says a future measure will regulate conditions for enforcing a declaration of all funds received for publicity of any sort.

News On Front Page

LONDON (CP) — The dignified Daily Telegraph (Conservative) today departed from an old English custom and began presenting news on its front page. The paper explained "the news now is so vital it obviously is wrong that the most important page should be occupied by advertisements."

The Times and the Daily Mail now are the only London dailies with front pages solely devoted to advertisements.

Search for Man

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver city and British Columbia police have been asked to search for Hywel John Gabriel, 48, of North Vancouver, missing a week.

Police said Gabriel left his North Vancouver home April 18 to buy machinery in Vancouver, and has not been seen after visiting a shop here.

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Hold for 1939Dunning Reviews
Industrial Gains During
First Quarter

OTTAWA (CP)—Better conditions in Canada this year were seen by Hon. Charles Dunning in his budget speech in the Commons today.

"Pre-season moisture conditions for the 1939 prairie crops are, in general, excellent," the Finance Minister said, "and the livestock markets have been improving in recent months. During the first quarter, construction contracts awarded were 6 per cent and residential contracts 92 per cent higher than for the same period in 1938, and the immediate outlook is for a further substantial improvement in residential construction."

"Our most important lumbering area, British Columbia, has benefited from better weather and an improved demand in foreign markets. The log scale for the first three months of 1939 was almost 60 per cent higher than that for the first quarter of 1938. In our central and eastern forest industries conditions have not been so favorable but progress has been made in reducing accumulated stocks."

MINES BETTER

"Manufacturing operations will benefit from increased defence expenditures, both Canadian and British. Finally the mineral industries seem destined to continue their impressive record of expansion."

"Exploration and development work has continued, although at a slightly slower pace, operations have been carried on over a more extensive area than ever before, and the completion of new mills, the reopening of old mines and the discovery of new ore bodies have brought the industry's production facilities to an all-time peak."

"In addition it is interesting to note the rapid development which is going on in the oil fields of Alberta and the reported discovery of a large commercial deposit of high-grade iron ore in Northwest Ontario."

Leadership in
Business NeededDunning Hits at
Critics of Public
Men in Canada

OTTAWA (CP)—With regard to call for leadership and its accompanying criticism of public men, Finance Minister Charles Dunning told the Commons in his budget speech this afternoon that no one would welcome more than he the development of an informed and vigilant citizenship "that would constantly study public problems and keep public men advised and alert."

It was in the field of private investment that leadership was most needed, however. Sometimes he thought many were paying too much attention to "the risks which face business in other countries, but have less significance in Canada."

NO RETARDATION

Mr. Dunning voiced disbelief of the assertions that tax action was retarding business. This need not be so "unless irresponsible but doubtless well-intentioned statements by people who should know better convince business that it should be depressed by the fear of debt and taxes."

LAISSEZ-FAIRE GONE

"Those who make such statements fail to realize that the old days of complete laissez-faire, or devil-take-the-hindmost, have gone forever," the minister said. In the world of today, government must act to relieve distress and prevent cumulative deflation, and, speaking generally, the magnitude of governmental expenditures in democratic countries is likely to be a rough measure of the failure of private enterprise to do its full duty."

Investment in Canada had been profitable, said the minister. "Examination of the public statements of 334 corporations indicates that their profits in

Canada's Revenue
In Year \$501,677,000Expenditures in 12 Months Up to March 31
Last Estimated at \$557,343,000

OTTAWA (CP)—The following table showing details of revenues and expenditures for 1938-39, with comparative figures for the two preceding years, was contained in the "White Paper" tabled in the House of Commons this afternoon by Finance Minister Dunning as an appendix to the budget address.

	1936-37	1937-38	Estimated 1938-39
REVENUES			
Tax Revenues—			
Customs import duties—	\$ 83,771,000	\$ 93,456,000	\$ 78,750,000
Excise duties—	45,937,000	52,037,000	51,313,000
War Tax Revenues—			
Banks—	1,210,000	1,107,000	1,026,000
Insurance companies—	775,000	867,000	891,000
Income tax—	102,365,000	120,366,000	142,025,000
Sales tax—	112,832,000	138,055,000	119,460,000
Manufactures, importations, stamps, transportation taxes, etc.	39,641,000	42,764,000	42,240,000
Tax on gold—	386,551,000	448,652,000	435,705,000
Total revenues from taxes—			
Among non-tax revenues were listed:			
Canada Grain Act—	1,192,000	680,000	1,130,000
Canals—	1,004,000	1,866,000	725,000
Casualties—	6,276,000	6,597,000	6,980,000
Interest on investments—	11,231,000	13,120,000	13,195,000
Post Office—	34,275,000	35,546,000	25,250,000
Total non-tax revenue—	58,478,000	61,646,000	61,818,000
Total ordinary revenues—	445,029,000	510,288,000	497,523,000
Among special receipts were listed:			
Sundry receipts—	8,364,000	3,010,000	1,317,000
Credits to non-active accounts—	45,000	819,000	2,802,000
Grand total revenue—	\$454,154,000	\$516,693,000	\$501,677,000

EXPENDITURES

Expenditures by major categories and by departments:

	1936-37	1937-38	Estimated 1938-39
Ordinary expenditure—			
Agriculture—	\$ 8,741,000	\$ 9,017,000	\$ 9,501,000
Finance—			
Interest on public debt—	137,410,000	132,118,000	128,010,000
Subsidies to provinces—	13,735,000	13,735,000	13,735,000
Special grants to provinces—	3,225,000	7,475,000	7,475,000
Old age pensions—	21,149,000	28,653,000	29,141,000
Legislation—			
House of Commons—	1,760,000	1,516,000	1,815,000
National Defence—			
Military service—	11,346,000	17,221,000	16,354,000
Naval service—	4,763,500	4,372,000	6,623,000
Air service—	5,822,000	10,018,000	11,355,000
Sundry Services—	992,000	1,149,000	878,000
National revenue (including income tax)—	11,205,000	11,870,000	11,961,000
Pensions and national health—			
Treatment and after-care of returned soldiers—	11,579,000	12,109,000	13,679,000
Pensions, War and military—	42,801,000	42,240,000	42,170,000
Post office—	31,906,000	33,762,000	35,706,000
Privy council—	453,000	48,000	52,000
Public works—	14,519,000	12,382,000	15,670,000
Roy. Canadian Mounted Police—	5,901,000	6,308,000	6,482,000
Mail subsidies and steamship subsidies—	2,120,000	2,029,000	2,012,000
Total ordinary expenditure—	387,112,000	414,892,000	416,372,000
Capital expenditure—			
Canals, railways and public works—	3,492,000	4,430,000	4,687,000
Special expenditure—			
Administration-Relief Acts Grants-in-aid to provinces—	194,000	378,000	271,000
Dominion share of joint Dominion-provincial projects—	28,930,000	19,493,000	17,025,000
Dominion projects—	12,692,000	8,841,000	4,544,000
Dominion projects—	23,554,000	13,913,000	16,221,000
Provision for reserve against estimated losses on wheat marketing guarantees applicable to the fiscal year 1938-39—			25,000,000
Total special expenditure—	78,004,000	68,535,000	73,583,000
Government-owned enterprises—			
Losses charged to consolidated fund—			
Canadian National Railway system—	37,419,000	37,882,000	48,194,000
Eastern lines—	5,834,000	4,464,000	6,120,000
Canadian National Steamships—			
National Harbor Board—	250,000	289,000	138,000
Trans-Canada Airlines—		111,000	818,000
Total charged to consolidated fund—	43,553,000	42,746,000	55,658,000
Loans and advances non-active—			
Canadian National Steamships—	1,754,000	1,104,000	6,000
National Harbor Board—	2,419,000	1,983,000	3,303,000
Total non-active advances—	665,000	2,087,000	3,309,000
Total government-owned enterprises—	44,218,000	44,833,000	58,967,000
Non-active accounts—			
General land settlement loans—		139,000	
Active assets transferred to non-active—	18,487,000	1,718,000	3,734,000
Total other charges—	19,179,000	1,718,000	3,734,000
Grand total expenditures—	\$532,005,000	\$534,408,000	\$557,343,000

National Income

At \$4,460,000,000

Canada's Recovery Sounder Than Others', Says Dunning

OTTAWA (CP)—Like the year 1937, but in even more striking degree, 1938 was packed with drama and tension, Finance Minister Charles Dunning told the House of Commons today in his budget speech. Again and again throughout his address the minister emphasized the incidence of the international situation during the last two years on the economic life of Canada.

"One international crisis was crowded on the heels of another," he said. "Naked aggression has caused a grim procession of tragedies and repeatedly altered the map of Europe. Brute force has been publicly acclaimed by some statesmen as the only philosophy for the guidance of international relations."

"The word of great nations has been plighted only to be broken almost before the ink was dry on the document. Every small nation has lived in perpetual fear of its own safety. The mills of industry have everywhere been speeded up to grind out the weapons of destruction."

COURAGE NEEDED

"Confidence and courage are essential for the effective working of any economic system based on individual liberty and private enterprise," said the minister. "These qualities are difficult to develop in the world today, but at least in Canada there is more chance for their exercise and development than in most other countries."

The minister reviewed the economic conditions of the last year. "The strength and recuperative power of the Canadian economy in the face of external pressure has been demonstrated to a remarkable degree," Mr. Dunning said. He recalled the crop failure of 1937, the recession in the

1938 were only 10 per cent below the 1937 level, and still 7 or 8 per cent above those of the recovery year 1936. Foreign investors have been convincingly demonstrating their faith in this country's future. Why should not our own investors show the same faith? The possibilities of profitable new investment have by no means been exhausted."

Housing Aid
Produces WorkFinance Minister
Puts Value of New
Projects at \$65,000,000

OTTAWA (CP)—Legislation to stimulate building activity has been responsible already for more than \$65,000,000 worth of new work, Finance Minister Dunning told the Commons in his budget speech this afternoon.

The construction industry "suffered more from the pernicious anaemia depression" than any other industry, Mr. Dunning said. Speculative building had been of great value in creating Canadian homes, but the housing speculators had suffered in the difficult years and there was not likely to be any immediate revival of speculative building.

Hope of the industry lay in revival of speculative building or creation of another agency, preferably "a group of building or development corporations along the lines of the estates corporations which have put much of the drive behind the British building boom."

LOSSES NEGLIGIBLE

Mr. Dunning briefly reviewed the various government agencies for stimulating the construction industry. More than 50 per cent of the 55,690 loans, totaling \$2,028,621, under the Home Improvement Plan had been repaid and the losses shouldered by the government had been only \$19,037 or 1-13th of 1 per cent of the total value of loans.

Under the National Housing Act there had been 8,014 family housing units financed by loans aggregating \$30,628,894. Since the act was amended eight months ago value of loans had increased 83 per cent compared with the similar period in the previous year, and he estimated a loan volume for 1939 of "several times" that of last year.

PROJECTS PREPARED

The minister declared he would like to see advantage taken of provisions of the same act for low-rental housing projects. So far no loans had been made under this section, but several cities were in course of preparing plans. Doubt, whether the construction industry had taken full advantage of the sales appeal arising from the last year's removal of the 8 per cent sales tax on construction materials was expressed by Mr. Dunning.

In the eight months in which the Municipal Improvements Assistance Act has been in operation 46 loans for a total of \$3,582,667 had been made, with five additional applications pending for a total of \$442,731.

Record Mining Volume

OTTAWA (CP)—Volume of Canada's mineral production in 1938 was higher than the preceding year, but lower prices, especially among base metals, brought about a drop in value of about 27 per cent, Finance Minister Dunning declared in his budget speech in the Commons this afternoon.

Production of gold, copper, lead, zinc, platinum, natural gas and crude petroleum all reached new peak figures in 1938, but with

exception of gold and petroleum, value of production in all categories was down substantially from the previous year, the minister reported. Employment was higher.

Value of all minerals produced in the calendar year 1938 was \$444,800,000 compared with \$457,400,000 the previous year. Gold production, however, was sharply higher at \$165,900,000, compared with only \$143,300,000, and petroleum was valued at \$11,800,000 compared with \$5,400,000.

New Basis for Mortgages

OTTAWA (CP)—Finance Minister Dunning, in the course of his budget address today, said the government's proposed central mortgage bank legislation, yet to be introduced in the House of Commons, will be primarily in the interest of agriculture, but for the benefit of the urban home-owner as well.

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OTTAWA — Hon. Charles Dunning told the House of Commons in the course of his budget speech this afternoon that during the last few months there has been an inflow of capital in considerable volume from the continent of Europe. This inflow is apparently continuing, reflecting the faith of European investors in the safety and profitability of investment in this country.

"To the extent that this capital represents 'fright money,' ready to take flight again at a moment's notice, it may create new problems; but to the extent that it consists of funds which seek, or will in practice find, permanent investment in Canada, it is to be welcomed," said the Finance Minister. "Fortunately, in considerable part at least, it seems to be accompanied by that much-needed spirit of enterprise which will foster the establishment of new industries and the expansion of old."

McGill to Give
Honorary Degrees

MONTREAL (CP)—Six distinguished persons, three Canadians and the others closely associated with the public life of the Dominion will be honored by McGill University with the degree of doctor of laws, honoris causa, at the annual convocation May 25.

Sir Edward Beatty, chancellor, will confer degrees on Lady Tweedsmuir; Sir Frederick Banting, co-discoverer of insulin; Dean Arthur Carlisle, Anglican bishop-elect of Montreal; Finance Minister Charles A. Dunning; Baron Robert Silvercruys, minister of Belgium to Canada, and W. A. F. Hepburn, director of education, Ayrshire, Scotland, who headed the recent Quebec Protestant Education survey committee.

Trade Balance Higher

Finance Minister Reports Canadian Gain
Of \$11,000,000 Despite Volume Drop

OTTAWA (CP)—Hon. Charles Dunning told the Commons today the changing trends in Canadian industries reflected external rather than internal conditions, a price which must be paid for dependence on world trade. But that price was smaller than that which Canada would have paid in terms of a lower living standard and other costs if industry had been forced on a purely domestic basis. This change was "unthinkable" for 11,000,000 people "living in so large an area endowed with so much of the essential raw materials of the world's industry."

During 1938 Canada maintained its position as the world's fourth exporting country, and displaced Japan as fifth in terms of total external trade, the minister said in the course of his budget speech. Exports for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1939, totaled \$841,600,000, excluding gold. This was a drop of 15.1 per cent from the preceding year.

"Net exports of non-monetary gold, however, increased by 13.4 per cent to \$167,500,000," said the minister. "For the same period, total merchandise imports amounted to \$658,200,000, a decrease of 17.6 per cent. This meant an export, or so-called favorable balance of trade of no less than \$350,900,000 as compared with \$339,800,000 during the preceding year."

Decreased sales to United States and Great Britain accounted for practically all the drop in merchandise exports. To British Empire countries the decline in exports was only \$5,200,000, and to all other countries less than 6 per cent.

U.S. TRADE IMPROVING

"The beneficial effects of our comprehensive trade agreement with the United States are already beginning to make themselves felt, and for the first quarter of 1939, our exports of merchandise, exclusive of gold, to that country registered a gain of nearly 16 per cent over the total for the same period in 1938. It is a significant tribute to the importance of our treaty that the

monetary policy was deflationary, or had had deflationary effects. He illustrated by comparison that Canadian bank deposits last year were slightly more than 25 per cent higher than 1932, the depression year, a rate of increase larger than Sweden, Australia, the United States and Great Britain.

"I sincerely believe that Canada's monetary policy in the last few years has been wisely conceived and carried out with great skill by our financial officers," he said. "I am convinced that a policy of more rapid expansion would have been either futile or positively dangerous. The policy which has been followed has been one designed to expand money and credit as rapidly as the needs of the public require, but not so rapidly as to create an unhealthy, speculative expansion which would be bound to end in a serious depression."

As I have frequently stated, its objective has been and it is to promote the minimum possible level of unemployment by stimulating the maximum possible level of productivity that could be sustained over a period of time. I repeat that in order to achieve this objective, monetary policy has been used and is constantly being used as far as it can wisely be carried.

While we have been endeavoring to use monetary policy to the fullest possible extent as an instrument of economic recovery, we have always realized that monetary policy alone was not sufficient to solve our problems under present world conditions—that it is a tonic and not a cure-all. If other factors are favorable, a good monetary policy may stimulate recovery, may assist greatly in securing the desired ends, just as a bad monetary policy is certain to impede progress.

For this reason we have adopted many other measures in the non-monetary field, some of which I have already mentioned. Well aware of the arguments for "pump-priming" in times of

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Expansion Would Take
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OTTAWA (CP)—The necessity for expansion of industrial endeavor in Canada and the means to make it possible were found in the current volume of unemployment, Hon. Charles Dunning said in his budget speech in the Commons today.

"Without taking time to analyze the figures of unemployment, I wish to express my own conviction that the number of unemployed in Canada who are willing and able to work, with or without retraining, is not now so great that it should be beyond the capacity of an expanding Canadian economy to absorb."

To expand, however, required more capital creation, a more rapid rate of private investment. Unless the people's savings were converted into capital expenditures in larger proportion the national income could again decline. The minister recalled the prosperity of earlier years, emphasizing this had been concurrent with the creation of new capital works.

The government had striven "with all its efforts" to restore private capital creation. This was the main purpose of its "easy money" policy. Resulting from that policy had been interest rate reduction which had strengthened industrial finances and had reduced governmental interest burdens, while at the same time effecting a gradual lowering of interest rates on mortgage funds.

NOT DEFLATIONARY

Mr. Dunning challenged those who asserted the government's monetary policy was deflationary, or had had deflationary effects. He illustrated by comparison that Canadian bank deposits last year were slightly more than 25 per cent higher than 1932, the depression year, a rate of increase larger than Sweden, Australia, the United States and Great Britain.

"I sincerely believe that Canada's monetary policy in the last few years has been wisely conceived and carried out with great skill by our financial officers," he said. "I am convinced that a policy of more rapid expansion would have been either futile or positively dangerous. The policy which has been followed has been one designed to expand money and credit as rapidly as the needs of the public require, but not so rapidly as to create an unhealthy, speculative expansion which would be bound to end in a serious depression."

As I have frequently stated, its objective has been and it is to promote the minimum possible level of unemployment by stimulating the maximum possible level of productivity that could be sustained over a period of time. I repeat that in order to achieve this objective, monetary policy has been used and is constantly being used as far as it can wisely be carried.

While we have been endeavoring to use monetary policy to the fullest possible extent as an instrument of economic recovery, we have always realized that monetary policy alone was not sufficient to solve our problems under present world conditions—that it is a tonic and not a cure-all. If other factors are favorable, a good monetary policy may stimulate recovery, may assist greatly in securing the desired ends, just as a bad monetary policy is certain to impede progress.

For this reason we have adopted many other measures in the non-monetary field, some of which I have already mentioned. Well aware of the arguments for "pump-priming" in times of

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Satisfactory Finances

IN THESE DAYS OF ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY and sensitive money it is heartening to hear British Columbia's Minister of Finance inform the public generally and the financial world in particular that British Columbia's substantial obligations will be met as they fall due. In his speech yesterday to the electors of the important constituency of Vancouver Centre—where the vacancy caused by the untimely death of Alderman Fred Crone, M.P.P., will be filled next Monday—Hon. John Hart announced among other significant items of the provincial treasury's business a reduction of the debt by considerably more than \$2,000,000, and the establishment of a new record for collections—as at March 31 last—amounting to \$32,600,000. It was only natural, moreover, that he should point with pride to the fact that British Columbia's recent loan of \$3,000,000 was floated in Wall Street at a cheaper rate than ever before obtained by the province in that market.

It is no reflection on the intelligence of the man in the street to suggest that he does not usually thrill to a cabinet minister's announcement that the bills which he, the taxpayer, has incurred will be paid, or when he is told that definite arrangements have been made to meet them on the dates of their maturity. But if at that meeting in Vancouver last night Mr. Hart had appeared in figurative funeral garb, tears in his voice, even hinting at the prospect of repudiation, thousands of men and women throughout British Columbia this morning would have been wondering what had happened. Every holder of a provincial bond—municipal or other bonds—would have been bombarding the treasury with demands for an explanation as to the status of his security.

Because Mr. Hart was in a position to expose the public ledger so that all might examine it, because he was able to tell the people of British Columbia that their finances are as sound as those of the Dominion itself, and a great deal sounder than several other provinces, the public will probably take it for granted and merely add this latest accounting of their Minister of Finance to the succession of straightforward and business-like statements to which they already have grown accustomed. It was a highly encouraging recital of policy followed and projected—and we may be sure the realm of finance will note it with satisfaction.

His Duty Clear

WHETHER PARLIAMENT HAS FINISHED its business or not—and propagation seems distantly remote at this stage—the people of Canada will applaud Prime Minister King's decision to attend their Majesties on their arrival in this country next month and accompany them across the Dominion. As he very properly intimated to the House of Commons yesterday, under existing world conditions King George would naturally want to be kept fully and constantly informed on the progress of events in Europe and in respect of all matters involving the interests of his far-flung Empire. As Secretary of State for External Affairs, of course, it would be Mr. King's duty to consult with His Majesty just as he consults with the Governor-General in the ordinary course of public business.

The pleasure and privilege in prospect obviously will impose a good deal of responsibility on the Prime Minister and, as he explained, "it would greatly lessen my own duties if some other arrangement could be made, but it would not be meeting my duties and obligations as I see them or as I think they will be viewed by the people of Canada if I did not accompany His Majesty throughout the whole tour." There was also the possibility, which Mr. King naturally hoped would not arise, of another crisis occurring during the King's presence in Canada; and he asked what public opinion would be if such a disturbance took place when the King was on the prairies, or in British Columbia, with no opportunity of conferring with his Prime Minister or his Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Mr. King's decision is not open to question. But he may rest assured that the people of Canada will be disappointed if it is not possible for Parliament to wind up its business in time for His Majesty to perform the prorogation ceremonial. Unique as the visit of the King and Queen will be in itself, it would have been especially appropriate to the occasion if still another precedent in respect to the overseas empire's association with the Crown could have been established under these auspices. This prospect, however, does not appear to be very bright.

Gold and More Gold

OUR NEIGHBORS ON THE SOUTH OF us are receiving constant reminders that although they have piled up \$15,000,000 in gold—more than half of the world's supply of this precious metal—it is doing neither them nor anybody else any good. It is more than the United States can conceivably use to "back" its currency. Small wonder that some who are prescribing new methods for dealing with what is euphemistically called the "existing system"

should contemplate with dismay the spectacle of such a great pile of the "wealth" in whose name every form of skulduggery known to man has been perpetrated.

But this hoard of unused and apparently not at the moment feasibly useable gold is evidently beginning to produce an uncanny economic feeling among the more observant. One commentator, for example, is moved to this:

"Newest reminder is from a Chilean newspaper which warns that though Chile is anxious to trade with the United States, it cannot. Why? 'We lack the necessary gold to protect our currency, so we must defend our standard of living exclusively on the system of barter,' says the Santiago Mercury."

"And who will barter gladly with Chile, one of the few South American countries where a regularly-elected president sits in the executive chair? Germany will, and Italy will, and Japan."

"Is there nothing in Chile that the United States could use more effectively than it is using its gold surplus? It is hard to believe that some means cannot be devised to get into the hands of Chile the gold which she needs and we do not, and to get in exchange something that will be of more use to Americans than the idle hoard buried beneath Fort Knox?"

"It must be difficult, moreover, for that large body of public opinion in the United States which takes the trouble to understand the futility of this monumental gold guardianship to reconcile its implications with the occasional screech from a section of the ultra-partisan press for pressure to be put on the debtor-nations to pay their war debts."

Britain's Budget

CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER

Sir John Simon has set the minds of the British public at rest on one point today. His annual budget has not increased the income tax—it will remain at five and six pence in the pound, or sixpence less than the record impost. But he is asking the motorist and the smoker to pay a little more for their "luxuries" and contribute a substantial part of the £24,000,000, or \$113,280,000, which he requires to "bridge the gap."

Sir John has budgeted for an outlay of no less than \$922,444,000, or \$4,497,037,000, and he proposes to spend \$630,000,000, or \$2,948,400,000, "or more," on armaments. He intimated, however, that at least half of defence costs will be met by loans.

From the astronomical figures we have quoted it will be possible to obtain some idea of what the taxpayers of Great Britain have to face as a result of the craziness of the world of today. The amount which Sir John Simon mentions as that to be spent on armaments—not forgetting that he said "or more"—is nearly equal to Great Britain's total net debt at March 31, 1914, while the year's projected outlay in its entirety is only a little less than the net debt of the Dominion of Canada as it stands this day—a quarter of a century after the year in which the Great War broke out.

By this time, of course, the people of Great Britain have accustomed themselves to budget shocks which owe their origin to the gradual breakdown of the League of Nations, the revival of international suspicion and power politics, and authoritarian imperialism in general. They realize now they are face to face with stern realities, and that when the national exchequer asks for money to enable them to meet the challenge, nothing much else remains for them to do but agree to pay the bill with as good a grace as possible. By this time next year, perhaps, the world will have come to its senses. All will hope so.

The rest of Hitler's book may not come true. He didn't figure on the foolish democracies waking up and making it hard.

Yes, Poland and Roumania have guns. But what good is a gun if your enemy has the only factory that makes ammunition to fit it?

If the Danish royal couple got a look at some of Hollywood's monkeyshines while in California, they know now that the "something rotten" is no longer in Denmark.

PRIVY COUNCIL CONFUSION

From Ottawa Journal

According to many of our most eminent lawyers, appeals to the Privy Council are not sensible and not efficient. That such was the case with Mr. Almeida, the late Eugene Lafleur, Mr. J. B. Coyne of Winnipeg, Mr. C. H. Cahane, M.P., and Minister of Justice LaPointe are all on record. Mr. Lafleur, who was probably the greatest lawyer this country has produced, once said:

"The reason usually advanced in favor of maintaining the appeal to the Privy Council is that it secures a decision from a tribunal that is free from local prepossessions, and from political, religious or racial prejudices. Such a humiliating confession implies less confidence in the judiciary than in the legislatures."

Actually, one of the arguments now advanced against appeals to the Privy Council is that it is the Privy Council itself which is influenced by political considerations. It is held, and not without some justification, that the Privy Council (which is not a court in the strictest sense, and which is not bound by precedents or statutes) swings from allegiance to the theory of federal authority to emphasize provincial autonomy; its decisions frequently depending upon the philosophy, temperament and outlook of the men who compose it—or dominate it.

There is a great unanimity throughout Canada that appeals to the Privy Council in constitutional cases have turned out to be disadvantageous to the Dominion, and sometimes have brought great harm. It is argued that they have resulted in the weakening of the federal authority and magnifying of the authority of the provinces, entirely contrary to the intention of the framers of Confederation.

Loose Ends

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

YOU COME BACK to Ottawa, after six weeks in the British Columbia sunshine, to find it all changed, very different from the "dashing, expectant Ottawa of January and February."

Spring is creeping slowly up the river now, the Rideau Canal is running again and our politicians have spring fever. They are tired, and they want to go home.

It is more this year, though, than the usual seasonal let-down of spring. It is a sudden realization everywhere that nothing in Ottawa matters very much in comparison with events in Europe. No member of Parliament, however stupid or partisan, fails to realize that no Canadian government, no Canadian party, is making the future of Canada today, or laying down the policy. They are being made, invisibly and incalculably, by Hitler and Mussolini.

That is why the Commons is so listless, why the Conservatives have called off the blockade which was to keep Parliament here until midsummer, why business is speeding through, why there is almost a truce to party warfare.

Things are too serious in the world for our usual diversions, and anything Parliament does today may be undone tomorrow. In practical politics, of course, this whole situation plays hob. No one can calculate the election prospects of this year, build his own fences at home or figure out a line of strategy until the overshadowing question of world peace is decided.

WHEN DO WE VOTE?

THE OTHER DAY the Liberal caucus was reported to have asked Premier King whether he had decided when there would be an election, or whether there would be an election at all this year. The Premier is said to have replied that he had made no decision.

And how can he? Before events became chaotic in Europe the government's plan, all neatly worked out in detail, was to go to the country this year and ask a mandate to deal with the Rowell Report and reconstruct the financial foundation of Confederation. But if there is going to be a war in Europe, who cares about the Rowell Report? And even if there is going to be no definite peace settlement, only a continuation of uncertainty, no government knows what to do.

If there is war undoubtedly Canada will have a national government of Liberals and Conservatives, who have no real issue dividing them anyway. Such a government, appealing quickly to the country, would carry it.

If there is assured peace, you will see a sudden boom in business as confidence is restored. In that case, watch Mr. King hurry to the country on the crest of good times.

But if there is neither war nor certainty of a sustained peace Mr. King's decision will be difficult. He has always insisted on going to the country in the fourth year of his administration, and will not postpone the poll until next year unless he is certain he cannot win now.

ONLY PARTY REVOLUTIONS

EVERY DAY the political picture in Canada becomes more blurred, which is inevitable in a period of world-wide revolution, for we are merely reflecting in our Canadian politics an upheaval which affects the whole human family. In other countries they have revolutions or civil wars. Here we have the agony of political parties, but that is easier for the average man to take. You can always build a new party.

Actually, almost anything can happen in Canadian politics before an election, assuming there is no settlement of the world situation.

The latest idea in Ottawa is that Premier Heppburn and Colonel George Drew, the Conservative leader in Ontario, will get together, take over George McCullagh's Leadership League and attempt to sweep the East on a cry of abolishing party politics. This is a sinister and probably a real possibility, but not incredible to anyone who has followed the Ontario situation, for obviously Heppburn and Drew are spiritual brothers.

There is the possibility also of another agrarian revolt on the prairies, where Premier Bracken of Manitoba is leading the embattled farmers in their fight for 80-cent wheat. This movement could be converted into something like the Progressive Party of 1921.

And always over everything hangs the shadow of Quebec, which is unpredictable. Without carrying most of Quebec, no party will carry the election as things stand at present. If the government has lost Quebec it cannot get a majority. If Dr. Manion cannot break into Quebec in a big way he has no chance at all.

Right now the Conservative Party is angling for an alliance with Mr. Duplessis, who controls the far-flung machine of Quebec politics. Such an alliance should be damaging to the Liberal Party, but it is not yet forged. More ominous still, of course, for western Canada would be a Heppburn-Duplessis combination, which is not impossible.

POLITICIANS FED UP

THESE ARE THE endless speculations of the politicians of Parliament Hill, who are longing to go home in the spring, but nobody takes them too seriously. In any other year everybody would have been seething. Today, though, the capital is crowded with the usual hangers-on, infested with political vermin who are the misery of the politician's life, the member of Parliament cannot get worked up in the proper spirit of an election year.

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CHANGED DATE IN MARTINI RECITAL

To the Editor:—It has come to our attention that our announcement of the presentation of Nino Martini, Metropolitan Opera tenor, in the Royal Victoria Theatre for May 17, has resulted in a clash of dates with the violin recital of Miss Selma Reynolds in the Empress Hotel.

Desiring at all times to co-operate with local musical bodies to eliminate unnecessary competition and thus build up the musical and cultural life of the city, we have made extensive efforts to change Mr. Martini's date.

We telegraphed Mr. Martini's New York management, who wired back that they would do everything possible to make the change, but that the difficulties in making train and boat connections might preclude this alteration in his schedule. However, his managers were kind enough to telephone Mr. Martini, who is currently making a trans-continental concert tour and presented the problem to him.

We are happy to be able to announce that Mr. Martini has kindly consented to make a mid-night train connection after one of his western concert dates which will bring him to Victoria in time for a concert May 16. This new date eliminates any duplication of events on the same night and we feel sure will remove any inconvenience which might have resulted to Victoria and Island music-lovers.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Martini, when speaking to us by long-distance telephone, mentioned his pleasure in the fact that the new schedule, while inconvenient earlier on his tour, would now make it possible for him to make the Vancouver-Victoria trip by daylight. He looks forward with distinct anticipation to this opportunity to see the beautiful Gulf Islands which many artists and managers have desired to him.

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PUTTING BRITAIN'S CASE

TO THE EDITOR:—Canada, in common with every other part of the British Empire, is suffering today from the virulent anti-British propaganda which is being carried on throughout the world by the totalitarian countries, in a determined effort to damage the Empire and if possible bring about its dissolution. In this ruthless campaign, carried on without the slightest regard for truth, it is the declared aim of those countries to destroy democracy, to win adherence to systems of government and political and social control which, we know, mean the end of freedom and a reversion to barbarism. At the same time they seek, by means of power politics, subsidies and other unfair methods, to stultify imperial trade for the purpose of capturing, for their own exploitation, the markets of the Empire.

It is high time the British Commonwealth awoke to this danger. Unfortunately, there is no government department in Britain or the Dominions for the purpose of countering this pernicious propaganda and of telling the truth about the Empire to the world. Neither do the existing Empire societies attempt propaganda work of this nature. To fill this vital and urgent need, the Empire Unity League has been formed under distinguished patronage and with the support of many leading men in Great Britain and throughout the Dominions. With the aid of a staff of journalists and expert publicists the league is now commencing a world-wide propaganda campaign on behalf of Britain and the Empire, embracing letters, articles, news paragraphs, etc., disseminated to the press of all countries in the language of each. Radio, film and other educational facilities will also be utilized in the work in due course.

No doubt your readers are, in a general way, aware of the insidious strategy of the totalitarian states, but if any would like to know more about what is going on, we shall be pleased to send, without charge, a booklet which deals with totalitarian propaganda and outlines the counter-measures we are taking. This makes illuminating and interesting reading to all true British citizens.

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Greek-style Drama

Acted 1250 B.C.
By EMILY C. DAVIS
Science Service Writer

If Greeks were fathers of classic drama, near easterners of the same type of artistic expression. It appears that they were acting "Greek" tragedy long before the Greeks.

The evidence consists of librettos of two sacred pantomimes. They are from the ruins of Ras Shamra on the Syrian coast, and are written on clay tablets in cuneiform alphabet letters. The very alphabet writing of Ras Shamra surprised archaeologists when they first encountered it, as they dug out the library collection of this dead city. Now, they are reading the old writings and learning more about backgrounds of psalms and other literary forms.

A British scholar, Theodor Gaster, first detected ancient play-writing technique in what might be taken for merely a narrative poem. Discussing the significance for drama history, in the British journal "Religions," Mr. Gaster expressed wonder at the thought that this drama was "acted on the shores of the Mediterranean at about 1250 B.C.—fully seven centuries before the time of Aeschylus!"

The standard elements of Greek drama which he finds embodied in the ancient poem are: an opening prologue, originally choral; a combat between two principal characters, one being discomfited; a song of lament over the downed principal; a messenger describing the conflict, which happens off-stage; and a Deus ex Machina, who by divine intervention insures a happy ending.

The pantomime, which was current drama in Israel just about the time when Israelites were conquering Palestine to the south of it, is a religious tale of men and gods, the banishing of drought, and heaven-sent rain for the harvest. The poem has Semitic aspects which strengthen Mr. Gaster's theory that Ras Shamra traced cultural descent from Semites in the south of Palestine.

A second poem, which Mr. Gaster also regards as a drama, deals with "The Phoenician Legend of Daniel," with underlying significance for summer harvest.

TRY THIS OUT
From Winnipeg Free Press
We propose to make ourselves a little unpopular with the school population by setting a little home-work, a slight problem to work out. Here it is:
Write down your telephone number, double it, add 5, multiply by 50, add this year (1939), add the number of days in a year (365) subtract the year of your birth, subtract the number of M.P.'s (615), and you will find the answer gives you first your telephone number and then your age this year.
Prolonged investigations carried out in this office show that this admirable thing works out provided the addition, subtraction and multiplication is done with reasonable accuracy.

AS WE SUSPECTED
From Ottawa Journal
The Dowager Lady Reading has let the cat out of the bag. The world will go on being ruled by women, she says, but it pleases the men to let them think they are the bosses so why worry about forms and phrases!

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Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I agree with your proposition."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "homocapath?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Imitative, immaculate, imaginable.
4. What does the word "acclamation" mean?
5. What is an adjective beginning with en that means puzzling?

Thoughts

Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded. — II Chronicles 15:7.

Strength alone knows conflict; weakness is below even defeat, and is born vanquished. — Mad. Swetchine.

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FOR GOOD LUCK

Very few novels, I think, would benefit by cutting. Some could be trimmed advantageously, but I shouldn't want a city editor to cut them—Sinclair Lewis, novelist and actor.

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The departure for Victoria of Their Majesties on board S.S. Princess Marguerite and the scene as the ship steams slowly through the Lion's Gate, greeted by a formation of Indian war canoes, will be described from 5 to 5.30 p.m. the same day.

The arrival in Victoria Harbor at 8.45 p.m. will be described to listeners on the western network of the CBC.

There will be three broadcasts from the British Columbia capital on Tuesday, May 30.

The address of welcome by Premier T. D. Pattullo will be heard at 11 a.m., followed at 11.30 a.m. by a presentation of the colors to the Royal Canadian Navy at the Esquimalt Naval Dockyard.

The King will speak at the government of British Columbia luncheon at 2 p.m. This will be one of five occasions on which His Majesty will speak during the month-long tour.

VANCOUVER ROUTE CHECKED

VANCOUVER (CP) — Police radio cars and motorcycles have traveled over the first part of the Royal Procession route, leaving Pier B-C at 10.30 a.m. and arriving at the City Hall at 11.30 a.m.

The timetable covering the first hour of travel on the arrival of the King and Queen on May 29 was found "thoroughly practicable," Police Chief Col. W. W. Foster said, "and no alterations will be necessary."

City officers, mounted and on foot, and city motorcycle police, will be entirely responsible for the safety of Their Majesties, after they leave the railroad station, Col. Foster stated.

OLD CUSTOM REVIVED. PORTSMOUTH, Eng. — When the King and Queen leave for Canada, May 6, a custom last observed in 1842 will be revived.

The King will receive the keys of Portsmouth on the steps of the Guildhall from Brigadier W. Roob, commander of the garrison. Queen Victoria was the last Sovereign to receive the keys.

Their Majesties will be met at Portsmouth Station by Lord Mottistone, Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire, who, as General Jack Seely, commanded the Canadian Cavalry in the Great War.

2,000 TRAINMEN. MONTREAL — More than 2,000 men of numerous classifications of employment will be required for the operation and service of the Royal train during its progress over the lines of the Canadian National Railways, according to a statement by N. B. Walton, vice-president in charge of operation for the national system.

For the actual operation of the Royal train there are now being selected 36 engineers and an equal number of firemen to form locomotive crews. Of that number 15 individuals of each classification will be engaged in the central region of the National system, which covers a large part of the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. An equal number will be selected for the western region, which includes the prairies and British Columbia.

For service in the three regions named 19 conductors are being selected, as well as 43 trainmen. These men required for the direct operation of the Royal train number in all 134, and form



WINS NEW CHEVROLET IN CONTEST.—The lucky contestant in the Wilson & Cabellu Limited essay competition, held recently, receives his award from E. Cabellu, Sales Manager of the firm. J. G. Hartree, 3367 Linwood Avenue, is shown beside the new 1939 Master Chevrolet Coach, the prize for the best essay submitted on "Why I Bought My Used Car From Wilson & Cabellu Limited." Mr. Hartree's winning entry was selected from the many submitted in the contest staged by the local Chevrolet dealers.

but a small proportion of the more than 2,000 individuals whose services will be requisitioned. Some of these other men will ride the Royal train, while larger numbers will have their appointed places and duties at stations and terminals where the Royal train will be serviced each day during a scheduled stop.

TEACHERS COMING HERE

A large party of Tacoma public school teachers plans to come to Victoria May 30 to see King George and Queen Elizabeth, the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau was informed in a letter received this morning. The party plans to spend three hours here during the afternoon.

Of the boast that America could feed the world, J. N. Darling says: "But since we, with 10 per cent of the world's population, have in the brief period of 200 years used up 80 per cent of our forests, 33 per cent of our soil, and abused our aquatic resources even more than our land and forests, we can roughly guess about how long America could feed the world."

DAYLIGHT SAVING NEXT SUNDAY

Groups of Eastern Canadian Cities to Change Clocks

TORONTO (CP) — A group of eastern Canadian cities will push forward their clocks next Sunday, joining Regina in adopting daylight-saving time for the warm months.

Regina began the switch to "fast time" April 9 and will go back to standard time October 8. A few municipalities will wait until late next month to go on summer time, while Sudbury, Ont., will make the change June 4. But for the most part daylight-saving communities will switch at midnight this week-end, headed by Montreal and Toronto.

Ontario cities, besides Toronto which will change time next week-end are Belleville, Brockville, Guelph, Hamilton, Kingston, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, St. Catharines and Welland. Peterborough will fall in line May 20. Saint John, N.B., will be the

first maritime city to move the hands when the deadline comes May 20. Fredericton and Halifax will shift to the summer time a week later.

The return to standard will be more staggered. Toronto and Montreal will make the switch September 30, along with large United States cities and Ottawa and Peterborough.

Belleville, Guelph and Sudbury plan to return to normal time September 4, Hamilton September 10 and Kingston, Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and Welland September 24.

Winnipeg and Vancouver are the largest cities which will not turn to daylight-saving time.

Island News

60-MILL TAX RATE SET AT NANAIMO

NANAIMO (CP) — Nanaimo's tax rate for 1939 will continue at 60 mills, the same as last year, it was announced last night at a meeting of the city council.

The rate is made up of a tax of 24.23 mills on all lands and improvements for payment of interest and principal of debts incurred, 22.24 mills on lands and improvements for school purposes and 23.43 mills on lands and improvements for general purposes.

The council approved a levy of \$6,392.54 for the sinking fund.

No Labor Holiday

NANAIMO (CP) — Nanaimo city council, meeting last night, decided not to call a civic holiday for May 1, as requested by the United Mine Workers of America.

The union plans to celebrate International Labor Day. The council however ruled that city employees wishing to take a holiday May 1, could do so at their own expense and would be given the chance to make up the lost time at some later date.

PIONEER BURIED

NANAIMO — Gabriola Island residents turned out in a body Sunday afternoon for the funeral of John Rollo, pioneer farmer of the island.

Esquimalt Council Topics

The Esquimalt Council will receive a delegation from the Macaulay Point Golf Club for the second time at its next meeting to discuss terms of a lease renewal on the municipally-owned course, it was decided last night. After an interview at a previous meeting the council had approved the principle of renewing the lease, providing the municipality were protected against loss in the event of the property, being required for military purposes.

A protest from a ratepayer that gangs of rowdy boys were disturbing meetings and damaging buildings in the municipality was referred to the police commission.

The council accepted an invitation for as many as possible of its members to attend the Esquimalt Community Club's May Day celebration in the Memorial Park on Monday, at which Mrs. Eric W. Hamber will crown the May queen.

A minimum price of \$250 a lot was set for a new subdivision of municipally-owned property on Lamson Street and Old Esquimalt Road.

Green, unshelled horse-chestnuts contain an oily substance which might be used in soap, so European chemists believe.

ODDMENTS

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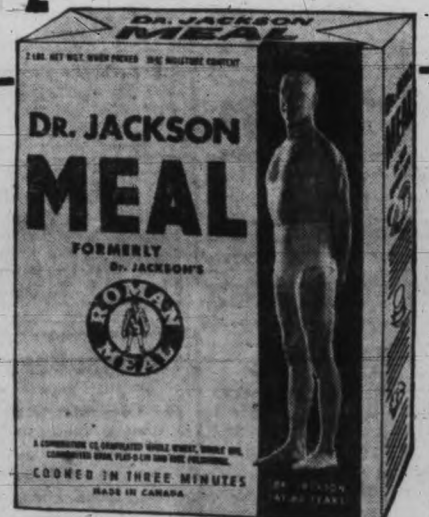
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Clubwomen's News

The W.A. to the Navy League will meet on Friday in the Hibben-Bone Building.

Princess Margaret Rose Lodge, No. 40, Juvenile D.O.E., will hold their monthly meeting tomorrow evening at 8.30 in the S.O.E. Hall.

W.A. Britannia Branch No. 7, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., will hold a dance in the Elks Hall, Douglas Street, Thursday evening, from 9 to 12. There will be a popular orchestra.

The monthly meeting of the Women's Union of the First Baptist Church will be held in the church parlor on Thursday afternoon at 3. The subject under consideration will be "The Ministry of Healing."

Vancouver Women To Be Recruited

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Vancouver detachment of the Victoria Women's Service Club, an organization formed to train women for noncombatant duties in the event of a national emergency, will hold its first general recruiting meeting here Thursday night. It was announced yesterday.

Mrs. Norman Kennedy of the Victoria Women's Service Club will address the meeting. She will be accompanied by Miss McLennan, director of meetings. Other speakers will include Mrs. Alan Morkill, British Columbia Girl Guide Association president, and Col. H. E. Molson.

Mrs. R. Waddell will open the spring flower and bulb show under the auspices of the Royal Oak Women's Institute, in the Community Hall April 26 at 3. The fortnightly 500 card party under the auspices of the Royal Oak Women's Institute will be held in the Community Hall April 27 at 8. An old-time dance will be held April 28 in the Community Hall.

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New Chapters Are Organized in Province

Mrs. P. E. Corby Gives Fine Report at Vancouver Meeting

VANCOUVER—Reports showing the growth of the order in British Columbia were presented at this morning's session of the Provincial Chapter, I.O.D.E., in annual meeting in the Hotel Vancouver.

Six new primary chapters were organized last year in British Columbia, bringing the total up to five municipal chapters, 54 primaries and 25 isolated primary chapters, and six junior chapters, totaling 2,100 members. Mrs. P. E. Corby of Victoria announced in her annual report as organizing secretary.

Vancouver had two new primary chapters, the Sir James Barrie and Simon Fraser Chapters, making the total membership in that city 483. Victoria, with its 11 primaries, has a membership of 360; Burnaby, six chapters with 123 members; Chilliwack, three chapters, with 130 members; and Prince Rupert, three, with 71 members, she noted.

Four new isolated primaries, including the Lillian Killough, at Castlegar; the 54th Battalion, Kaslo; the Sara Blain, Westview; and the Jean Neil, Port Alberni, brought the number of such chapters to 24. Six junior chapters are also in existence in the province, and Mrs. Corby made a plea for increased interest in these young people, from whose ranks will come the I.O.D.E. leaders of tomorrow. She recalled her travels of over 2,600 miles in the province in the interests of organization, visiting the chapters and stimulating interest in the work of the order.

In conclusion Mrs. Corby reminded the members that conditions in Europe constitute a definite challenge to "our British way of life." She urged the women to exert every effort towards the effective realization of the clause in the I.O.D.E. constitution which calls for "an efficient organization by which united action may be taken by the women of the Empire."

The Arthur Chapman Chapter of Trail won the scrap book and press clipping competitions of the I.O.D.E.; it was announced this morning.

Golden Wedding of Well-known Couple

Col. and Mrs. W. Ridgway Wilson, 866 Craigflower Road, celebrated their golden wedding with a family reunion dinner last night, after which many of their friends joined them to tender congratulations and good wishes.

Mrs. Ridgway Wilson, who was a daughter of the late Rev. Percival J. Wilson, for 48 years rector of St. John's Church, was born in London, and came to British Columbia with her parents via the Horn, settling here in 1867. Col. Ridgway Wilson was born in England in 1887. They were married by the bride's father, at St. John's in 1889, residing here ever since.

A two-tier wedding cake centred the table last night, with bowls of spring flowers. Members of the family at dinner included their daughter, four sons and six of the grandchildren; Mrs. E. G. Mellander and Messrs. Peter, Jack and Terry Mellander, Mr. Guy Ridgway-Wilson and Miss Barbara Ridgway-Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Ridgway-Wilson and Joy, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Ridgway-Wilson and their twins, Kathleen and Michael, and Capt. Percy Ridgway-Wilson of the 5th Regiment. Miss Barbara Ridgway-Wilson, daughter of Mr. Guy Ridgway-Wilson, is the other grandchild.

Col. Ridgway-Wilson was associated with the Fifth Regiment for many years. He was a well-known architect until his retirement and the Bay Street Armouries, St. John's Church and the Provincial Mental Home, Wilkeson Road, were designed by him.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. C. W. McAllister, Cambridge Street, is spending a few days in Vancouver with friends.

Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Plaskett, Armit Street, have returned from a short visit in Vancouver.

Mrs. J. W. Thompson of Toronto is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Mackenzie, Rockland Avenue.

Mrs. George Richardson of Vancouver arrived today on a visit to Mrs. A. T. Goward, York Place, Oak Bay.

This afternoon at her home on Blenkinsop Road, Mrs. W. P. Walker entertained a number of friends at bridge.

Captain and Mrs. W. Ellis, Beach Drive, have their little granddaughter, Miss Nancy Ellis of Vancouver, staying with them.

Mrs. C. R. Ashley of Vancouver spent yesterday in Victoria with Mrs. C. C. Creagh, Oak Bay Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Day have returned to their home in Esquimalt after spending the week-end at Ganges with relatives.

Mrs. C. Layard of Deep Cove has returned home after visiting relatives and friends on Salt Spring Island.

Mrs. David Doig, Lansdowne Road, the Uplands, who has been spending the last two months in California, will return home next Monday.

Mrs. W. Bell, Foul Bay Road, and her son, Mr. Gordon Bell of Vancouver, spent the week-end in Tacoma as the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Plum.

After visiting her daughter, Mrs. James D. Munro, Granite Street, for the last 10 days, Mrs. Gertrude Huntly Green left this afternoon on her return to her home in Ontario.

Miss Cayston of Calgary, who spent a few days in Victoria with Brig. J. C. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart, and Miss Elizabeth Stewart, Work Point Barracks, has returned to her home in Alberta.

Guests staying at the Shavlin Beach Hotel over the week-end included Mr. and Mrs. K. Farina, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Charleson, La Jolla, Cal.; Miss B. Doull, Victoria; Mrs. C. F. Covernton, Vancouver; and Mr. John G. Monteith, Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cook of Tientsin, China, with their daughters, Gillian and Jennifer, who have been staying at the Shavlin Beach Hotel, Shavlin Road, left Victoria yesterday en route to England where they will spend the summer.

Miss Grace Stevenson entertained recently at the home of her aunt, Mrs. R. Duncan, 94 Linden Avenue, in compliment to Miss Lillian Smith, whose marriage took place Saturday. Court which was played, the winners being Miss Theresa Wragg and Mrs. J. W. Sinclair. During the evening the guest of honor was presented with a beautiful tea set. Refreshments were served from a table covered with a lace cloth and decorated with narcissi, flanked by yellow candles in silver candlesticks, and centred with a miniature bride and groom. The guests included Mrs. T. H. Horne, Mrs. J. Hutchings, Mrs. Horne, Mrs. J. Hutchings, Mrs. E. Acreman, Mrs. K. R. Dauphinee, Mrs. J. W. Sinclair, Mrs. George Wragg, and the Misses Gladys Acreman, Agnes Stevenson, Eileen Hutchings, Margaret Roe and Theresa Wragg.

Canada's Militia Is Inadequate, I.O.D.E. Told

Col. H. G. Letson In Address to Provincial Chapter

VANCOUVER (CP)—Col. H. G. Letson told the opening session of the two-day provincial annual meeting of the Imperial daughters of the Empire tonight that he was sure public sentiment in Canada would demand the sending of men and machines to the defence of the Mother Country in event of war.

The meeting was officially opened by Lieutenant-Governor Eric W. Hamber, who praised "the patriotism and true democracy" of the order as represented by their national effort to organize the women of Canada for emergency service.

Several hundred delegates from all parts of the province heard Col. Letson, officer commanding Vancouver's military units, criticize the inadequacy of Canada's "insufficient, ill-equipped militia." He told them women have a powerful weapon in defence of their country—the vote.

BLAMES BRITISH POLICY

"As Canadians we suffer from an inherent British characteristic," he said, "always taking the short-range view." After every war Britain has said there would be no more war and accordingly let her army and navy suffer. This policy, he said, had caused much suffering.

He predicted unsettled times for months and years to come, and advised against "the dreadful consequences of unpreparedness."

Mrs. Frank Stead, provincial president, in her address, said the I.O.D.E. was not a war organization, but believed in leading the way among women of Canada by forming an emergency service committee. She said over 20,000 registration cards have been issued giving a choice of service in first aid, nursing, canteen work, motor driving, secretarial work and other branches.

In its first business, the meeting conferred two life memberships, one to Mrs. P. E. Corby of Victoria, provincial organizing secretary, and the other to Mrs. L. S. Dobson of Vancouver, provincial treasurer for 13 years.

Weddings

WEIR-KERR

A quiet wedding was solemnized at 2 yesterday afternoon at the bride's home, when Margaret Sarah Louise, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Kerr, 224 Wilson Street, became the bride of David Alexander Weir, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Weir of Vancouver. Rev. James Hyde of St. Paul's read the service.

The charming bride, who entered the room on the arm of her father, wore a dainty blue afternoon dress and jacket, trimmed with pink lace and pink French knots; a blue flowered toque with a pink veil, and a corsage of white gardenias and pink roses. Her only ornament was her grandmother's gold bracelet. The groom was supported by Mr. Jim McGarry.

After the service a reception was held. A three-tier wedding cake centred the table, which was covered with a lace cloth and decorated with lace forget-me-nots. Rev. James Hyde proposed the toast to the bride and groom, and the bride's grandfather, Mr. A. Kerr, replied.

Mr. and Mrs. Weir left later for a honeymoon to Seattle and the Sound cities. The bride donned a blue tailored coat with matching accessories.

Among the wedding presents were a waffle iron and toaster from Hawkes Bros. Service Station, where the groom is employed; a coffee table from the Hudson's Bay, where the bride was employed; and a cut glass bowl and candlesticks from the Arcade Bowling Alley.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Weir Sr., Olive and Isabel Weir, and Mr. Robert Knox, all of Vancouver.

TIPPETT-DASH

At the Lake Hill Mission Hall on Saturday evening at 8.30, Rev. F. W. McKinnon united in marriage Hilda Lucy, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Harris, Mrs. M. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. P. Hancock, Miss L. Hooper, Mr. M. C. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hill, Miss Doreen Hurst, Mrs. M. MacLean, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Michell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pearce, Mrs. J. A. Ralph, Mr. and Mrs. Rednap, Mr. and Mrs. J. Renfrew, Mr. J. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. R. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stevens, Mrs. and Mrs. A. Silsbury, Mrs. S. Trenbath, Mrs. M. S. White, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. Williams and Mr. Marcus Woolcocks.

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Following in father's footsteps, 30-year-old Maharajah Yeshwant, right, of Indore, India, has married an American girl. The bride, Marguerite Lawler, left, who met her new husband in California three years ago when she attended him as a nurse. The young Maharajah's first wife died.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dash of Sevenoaks Road, and Mr. George Henry William Tippet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tippet, 675 Alpha Street, Mr. Harold Pendray provided the wedding music.

The hall was decorated with daffodils, and the ceremony was performed beneath an arch of greenery. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a princess gown of white satin, inset with lace, and long, tight-fitting sleeves. She wore her mother's wedding veil, which fell from a coronet of orange blossoms to the floor, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses and maidenhair fern. Miss Evelyn Gorton, the bridesmaid, wore a graceful floor-length frock of powder blue net over satin, with pink sash, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and snapdragons. Mr. Malcolm Bissenden supported his cousin.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where yellow and white streamers were used in decoration. Mrs. Dash received the guests in a silk frock of sage blue, with a rose hat and corsage bouquet of pink carnations, assisted by the groom's mother, wearing a frock of fine wool in Japonica shade, with hat to match, and a corsage bouquet of pink carnations. The three-tiered wedding cake centred the supper table.

After a honeymoon in Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. Dash will return to their home in Sevenoaks Road.

Plans for Royal Visit
NANAIMO—The lower island is not receiving enough information on plans for school children who will visit Victoria on the occasion of the Royal Visit, according to statements made at the meeting of the city council last night. Mrs. G. Putman, in charge of the Montrose School, Nanose Bay, wrote asking what provision had been made for the children to see the King and Queen after arrival in Victoria.

Mayor V. B. Harrison said he had received letters of the same nature. He had written to Victoria's mayor, but could not get much information. Alderman G. Muir reported the school board also had been unable to obtain information regarding reservations for school children during the parade. The city clerk will write again to the mayor's secretary in Victoria asking for full information.

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BULK COCOA	10c lb.
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ORANGES, Large Navel	17c doz. 3 doz. 50c
SUNKIS LEMONS, dozen	11c
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Messa Ointment, 2-oz. size	19c

Lifebuoy Soap	2 for 13c
Sunlight Soap	2 for 11c

Vegetable or Tomato SOUP	6c tin
Chateau Cheese, plain or Pimento	16c 1/2-lb. pkt.

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PARIS. When Queen Elizabeth came to Paris last summer and chose to wear crinolines it did more than upset the plans of the French couturiers.

Of course, the effect was felt immediately in the autumn presentations—but the influence has continued over into the spring-time showings. Though an attempt is being made to bring back the slender undulating silhouette, many of the more famous couturiers are sticking to the voluminous skirts which have been a business benediction to silk and velvet manufacturers.

Coutureurs are for it because it permits more elaborate hairdressing. The ribbon and flower merchants have practically come back from the breadline, while the mode demands 100 varieties of fantastic but perfectly charming hats.

"The women are going feminine again," was the remark of a satisfied American when his wife appeared with a bow of tulle and a bunch of flowers pinned on top of a pile of curls—ready for the opera.

But the best is yet to come—within the foamy and transparent gowns for summer receptions and dances. Paris is showing "pantalettés." Yes, the "longs" come right down to the ankles with an avalanche of little frills. Some of the most exclusive shown are in chiffon or soft silks. Others are made with rows and rows of fine lace. The prize of a well-known couturier is made of rose chiffon, each frill bordered with narrow black satin or velvet ribbon.

Jewelry is elaborate, curls are elaborate—head-dresses of flowers, tulle, feathers, velvet bows are even eccentric—while the Tyrolean and Vienna waltzes in which the whirling skirts show the new panties up to the knees, necessitate elaborate and dainty shoes.

Even the motor car makers have risen to the occasion. At least one of the new cars selling in Paris has the "crinoline door," and a point is made in its advertising of the fact that this door has been designed especially to accommodate "Madame's" new gown.

SPEAKERS' GROUP

Royal Oak Speakers' Group were guests of the South Saanich Women's and Farmers' Institutes last Thursday evening in Keating Temperance Hall.

An amusing debate on the subject, "Resolved that bachelors lead happier lives than married men," was won by the affirmative debaters, Robert McIntosh and Miss Mirth Doyle.

A. P. Hobbs acted as chairman, and Mrs. Robert McIntosh rendered vocal solos.

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The Earl and Countess Baldwin of Bewdley, who are paying their first visit to Canada since the Imperial Economic Conference in 1932. The former Prime Minister of Great Britain, who inaugurated the Sir Robert Falconer lectures at the University of Toronto this week, praised President Roosevelt's peace proposals as "very courageous and very statesmanlike" in an interview. Lord and Lady Baldwin visited the Governor-General and Lady Tupper in Ottawa before going to Toronto.

Gotham Streamlines On Garden Meals

'Potassium Broth' And Uncooked Vegetables Popular

NEW YORK (CP)—Please pass the spinach-parsley juice cocktails, deep green of hue, very healthful, and the uncooked vegetable plate after a cup of "potassium broth"—a combination of fruit juices.

Away with your planked steaks, ringed with sizzling potatoes, and your creamed chicken patty followed by a nice big butterscotch sundae.

The girls are going back to the garden for luncheon. Usually these days you'll find a number of pretty models having lunch in a non-profit restaurant called "Vital Interests."

What do they eat? Fresh beet greens, grated carrots. Big salads. Celery. Plates of assorted fruit and maybe peppermint tea.

Not all the girls, of course. Some nibble waffles and honey, or bacon and chicken livers; but feminine interest in produce of truck garden and orchard is mounting rapidly.

A number of the girls say they aren't interested in losing weight, and eat celery stalks, raw greens and carrots because they like them. Several said "good for the skin," and one murmured "vitality." Most of them said they had meat and potatoes once a day.

Wears Flags of Many Nations On Her Hat

LONDON.—Twenty-three-year-old Nancy Bird, Australia's No. 1 airwoman, recently arrived in London, complete with novel hat.

This hat contains the flags of some of the countries which she has visited and a variety of lions in European coats-of-arms. It is in a heavy felt, rather like a man's trilby, and apart from the array of badges on the crown, is trimmed solely with a plaited cord.

She was told: "You can't wear that hat in London," but Miss Bird replied: "We'll see about that."

Miss Bird has flown from the Commonwealth and toured Europe—21,000 miles in all—without touching the deck of a ship.

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Circus Thrills Capacity Crowd

Shrine Presentation of Polack Bros. Circus at Willows All Week

The circus is back in town! Lions... clowns... high trapeze artists... steel wire performers... "Mona," the elephant... acrobats of all sorts and descriptions, and all the rest that goes to make the annual presentation in Victoria, all the fun in the world.

It was the Polack Brothers' Circus presentation by the Gizeh Temple Shrine Band at the Willows' Horse Show Building last night—the first show of a week's stand here.

Long before the doors opened, two block-long queues of excited thrill-seekers awaited the show "on the inside." ... "so hurry, hurry, hurry," came the husky voices of the ticket-sellers and the house was soon filled to capacity when the augmented Shrine Band under the direction of Jack Bell, opened the program with a stirring march.

Peanuts, pop-corn and candy sellers moved throughout the aisles... the voice of the ringmaster came from the public address system... a shrill whistle blew and the show was on.

The 20-act performance was presented in two parts with an intermission of 15 minutes. At the close of the regular performance a special three-act attraction was given.

HIGH-WIRE RIDERS CLIMAX

The show was climaxed with the "Great Billetti Troupe," world's greatest high-wire artists. On a steel wire suspended 40 feet in the air the six daring performers went through a breath-taking series of stunts. Individual bicycle riding balancing feats on the wire, double and triple stunts, and finally the six performers in a bicycle pyramid feat, had the spectators holding their breath, with the more timid turning away.

Noble Hamiter put his four Nubian lions through the paces in a strong steel cage at one end of the ring with the big cat snarling and baring deadly teeth in opposition to his commands. During the act two of the animals fought and things looked serious for a while. Hamiter succeeded in separating the two, driving them back to their pedestals.

"Miss Mona," a two-and-a-half ton baby Indian elephant, booked as the world's youngest performing tusker, obeyed the word of pretty blonde Betty Hilton and high-lighted the act by lying on top of her minute mistress without letting the two and half tons cause any injury, as might easily have been the case.

Phil Escalante, a smiling Mexican boy, astounded the crowds with his performance on the silver wire, while Gene Rogers performed on the slack wire at the opposite end of the arena.

BREATH-TAKING SLIDE

Senior Felix Morales succeeded in making a 100-foot head slide "for life" on a wire stretched at a 30-degrees slant. Hamiter's performing dogs proved a big hit with the large crowd, while Miss Hammond and her dog and pony drew one of the biggest rounds of applause and cheers. One small dog climbed a 25-foot ladder, and when at the top, at the clap of the hands, jumped to an attendant's arms below. A second dog walked the tight rope. These

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Radio Programs

Tonight

Portraits at Dusk—KOMO.
Parents' Post—KPO.
Melody Rendezvous—KJR, KGO.
U.B.C. Music Hour—KJR.
Movie—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 9:15.
Johnny Murray—KOL at 9:15.

5:30

Information—KOMO, KPO.
Paul Martin's Music—KGO.
Dick Auerbach's Orchestra—KIRO, KVI.
Dick Tracy—KOL.
World on Parade—KGO at 5:45.
Orphan Annie—KOL at 5:45.

6

Full Over, Neighbor—KPO.
Mary and Bob's True Stories—KJR, KGO.
We, the People—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
Appointment—KJR.
Jack Armstrong—KOL.
Vibration Time—KMO at 6:30.

6:30

Fiber McGee and Molly—KOMO, KPO.
Annual Meeting of the Red Cross—KGO.
KJR, KOL.
Benny Goodman's Caravan—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
Dinner Dance—KJR.

7

Don't Forget—KMO, KPO.
If I Had the Chance—KGO.
Cincinnati Cons. of Music—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
New World Chamber Orchestra—KJR.
Phantom Play—KOL.

7:30

Inside Story—KJR, KGO.
Jimmy Fidler—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
John Duncan—KJR.
Green Hornet—KOL.
Night Editor—KOMO, KPO at 7:45.
Frankly Speaking—KJR at 7:45.

8

Mr. District Attorney—KOMO, KPO.
World on Parade—KGO.
Ames to Andy—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
News—KJR.
Fulton Lewis Jr.—KOL.
Vocal Varieties—KOMO, KPO at 8:15.
Coast League Baseball, Seattle vs. Oakland—KJR at 8:20.

The People's Voice, Sam Hayes—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 8:15.
Student Songs—KJR at 8:15.
Don't Believe It—KOL at 8:15.

8:30

Johnny Presents—KOMO, KPO.
Big Town, Edward G. Robinson—KIRO, KXN, KVI, CBR.

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Battle of Sexes—KOMO, KPO.
Tuesday Night Party, Dick Powell—KIRO, KXN, KVI, CBR.
Newspaper of the Air—KOL.
Coast League Baseball, San Francisco vs. San Diego—KGO at 9:15.
Frank and Archie—KOL at 9:15.

9:30

Carnival—KOMO, KPO.
Groucho Club—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
Dominoes vs. Windsor—KJR.
News—KJR at 9:45.
Symphonic Band—KOL at 9:45.

10

News Flash—KOMO, KPO.
Erwin Voe—KIRO.
Musical Mirror—KJR.
Phil Harris—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
Blue Moonlight—KPO at 10:15.
Nightcap Yarns—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 10:15.

10:30

Larry Ken's Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.
Al Kavelin's Orchestra—KGO.
Dick Auerbach's Orchestra—KXN.
Organ Recital—KJR.
Buddy Rogers' Orchestra—KOL.
Low Fiddle's Orchestra—KOL at 10:45.

11

Bill Roberts' Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.
World on Parade—KGO.
Artie Shaw's Orchestra—KVI.
Jack McLean's Orchestra—KOL.
Paul Carson—KJR at 11:20.

11:30

Earl Smith's Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.
Archie Bleyer's Orchestra—KIRO, KXN, KVI, CBR.

Tomorrow

7:30

Financial Service—KJR.
News—KXN, KVI, CBR.
Rise and Shine—KJR.
Morning Devotions—KJR at 7:45.

8

Ted Williams—KPO.
Viennese Ensemble—KJR.
It Happened in Hollywood—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
News—KJR.
Songs of the Pioneers—KOL.
International Kitchen—KVI.
Brown and Besman—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 8:15.

8:30

Musical Minutes—KJR at 8:07.
Haven of Rest—KOL at 8:15.
Fran Allison—KJR, KGO.
Ray Harrington—KJR at 8:45.
World on Parade—KGO at 8:45.
Woman's Page—KOL at 8:45.

9

Carters of Elm Street—KPO.
Program in connection with the National Swiss Exhibition from Zurich, Switzerland—KGO.
Mary Margaret McBride—KXN.
Balladeer—KJR, KOL.
The O'Neills—KOMO, KPO at 9:15.

On the Air—KGO at 9:15.
Nancy James—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 9:15.
Kidnappers—KJR at 9:15.
Dick O'Hearn—KOL at 9:15.

9:30

Time for Thought—KOMO.
Farm and Home—KJR, KGO.
Helen Trent—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
B.C. Schools Broadcast—KJR.
Fireside Singers—KOMO, KPO at 9:45.
Our Gail Sunday—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 9:45.

10

Bill Johnson—KOMO, KPO.
The Goldbergs—KIRO, KXN, KVI.
Happy Gang—KJR, KOL.
Let's Talk It Over—KOMO, KPO at 10:15.
Architecture Today—KJR, KGO at 10:15.
Life Is Beautiful—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 10:15.

10:30

Dangerous Heads—KOMO, KPO.
Franklin Takes Charge—KGO.
Road of Life—KXN, KVI.
Dr. Kato—KOMO, KPO at 10:45.
Phil Harris—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 10:45.
Voice of Experience—KOL at 10:45.

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Betty and Bob—KOMO, KPO.
Your Health—KJR, KGO.
Big Sister—KIRO, KXN, KVI, CBR.
School of the Air—KOL.
Griffin's Daughter—KOMO, KPO at 11:15.
Aunt Jenny—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 11:15.
Dr. Susan—KJR at 11:15.

Army Opens Self Denial Campaign

Public Appeal Here
In Charge of Local
Salvationists

The Victoria and West Victoria Corps of the Salvation Army launched their annual two-week self-denial appeal yesterday, under the chairmanship of Adjutant Charles Watt, assisted by Adjutant Archie Dale, public relations representative; Adjutant J. Habbirk, superintendent of social work, and Adjutant Mrs. Weir, commanding officer of the Victoria West Corps.

"We maintain the standard and extend our service because of the continued generous support given by our many friends, who realize that the Salvation Army stands behind everything that makes for a clean, wholesome community," Adjutant Watt said yesterday.

"Any curtailment of our work at home or abroad would mean an increase in sorrow and suffering to the needy in our midst. I believe the people wish our service to continue unimpaired, and it is with confidence that we make this appeal," he said.

Indicating the extent and value of the service given by the army here, Adjutant Watt mentioned that the men's hostel on Johnson Street, under the direction of Adjutant Habbirk, has provided during the past year 1,950 free beds and 1,453 free meals for transient men, and free clothing has been furnished to 880 families at a cost of \$2,243.35.

"In addition we have been able to assist back to happy homes and good citizenship many men who have lost their way in life," Adjutant Watt added.

"The Salvation Army in the community is a guarantee that there is 'someone who cares.' The people of Victoria can assist us to keep open the doors of our institutions and agencies for the uplift of humanity by sympathetic and practical support."

Adjutant A. Dale will be in charge of the business canvass of the city.

George E. MacDonald was returned as vice-president. The group's new executive is made up of L. F. Osborne, J. O. Cameron, W. W. Martin, W. J. Clark, W. T. Straith, M.P.P., V. A. Cory and George Beck.

The meeting was informed in a letter from the City Council the city has no money available for building a band shell for open-air concerts—a project suggested by the group—but that funds might be obtained under the government public works scheme.

A committee was appointed to discuss with L. H. Fryer a plan he put forward for the building of a suspension bridge at Niagara Canyon.

Mr. Fryer said he planned to ask the City Council for a lease on city-owned watershed property at the canyon and to spend \$3,000 the first year on a tourist attraction there which would eventually consist of a 200-foot long suspension bridge, 185 feet above the floor of the canyon, a rustic bridge below the falls, trails and a small refreshment house. He said the falls would supply power for an electric lighting system.

The group will ask restaurants in the city to display "tea and crumpets" signs because the Marnell Tours of Chicago have advertised tea and crumpets as one of Victoria's old English attractions.

Three homes—KOMO, KPO, Exposition Stroller—KGO.
So You Want to Be—KIRO, KVI.
Baseball, Low Angeles vs. Sacramento—KXN.
Jack Ayson—KJR.
It's Big Office—KOL.
Charles Sears—KOMO at 2:45.
Vaughn De Leath—KJR, KGO at 2:45.
Closing Stock Quotations—KJR at 2:45.

Our American School—KOMO.
Bob Armstrong's Orchestra—KJR.
Fletcher Yell—KIRO, KVI.
Jesse Crawford—KJR.
Feminine Fancies—KOL.
I Love a Mystery—KOMO, KPO at 3:15.
Adrian Rollins—KGO, CBR at 3:15.
News—KGO at 3:25.

Woman's Mag. of the Air—KOMO, KPO.
Lyon and Marjorie—KJR.
Departure of the Pan-American Clipper—KGO.
Tea with Bob Trout—KIRO, KVI.
Germany Seizes Canada—KJR.
Box Score Extra—KJR, KGO at 3:45.
Metropolitan Strings—KOL at 3:45.

Easy Aces—KOMO, KPO.
Maurice's Orchestra—KJR, KGO.
Romantic Orchestra—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 4:15.
Mr. Keen—KOMO, KPO at 4:15.
Major Bill—KJR at 4:15.

4:30
Maurice's Orchestra—KJR, KGO.
Magical Voyage—KGO.
So This Is Radio—KOL.
Old Vienna Orchestra—KOMO at 4:45.
Erwin Voe—KIRO, KXN, KVI at 4:45.
Drama in Canada—KJR at 4:45.

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SHOWS HOW TAX DOLLAR SPENT

Since 1936 actual taxes in Victoria have been reduced 12 per cent, Mayor Andrew McGavin said yesterday as he released a statement of the method in which Victoria's tax dollar was spent.

The reduction in taxes was directly due to cuts in the mill rate from 45 in 1936 to 41 this year, plus a continued reduction in assessments.

Real property, the mayor said, was gaining in value. He advocated further relief for property holders by a concerted effort by municipalities to have the provincial government restore grants it had taken from the municipalities.

Dealing with the expenditure of taxes, the mayor stated 19,279 mills, or 47.02 per cent, represents general expenditure; 10,123 mills, or 24.69 per cent, interest on debt; and 11,598 mills, or 28.29 per cent, for schools.

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25 Years Ago

APRIL 25, 1914
(From the Times Files)

A new steam roller has arrived for Esquimalt Municipality, and will be put into use at once on the new road repair made necessary by the double-tracking system installed by the B.C. Electric Railway along Esquimalt Road. All expenses will be paid by the railway company.

The new cable has been laid across Sooke Harbor. This puts the rural populace in touch with the capital by telephone.

The Victoria Bees defeated the Tacoma Tigers, 6 to 5, in the ball game yesterday. Bobby Steele pitched a nice game and the Victoria batters were in good form.

Commander Evans, C.B., R.N., is in the city from the Old Country. He will give a lecture at the Royal Victoria Theatre on the Scott Antarctic Expedition, of which he was second in command.

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SCHUBERT CLUB CONCERT TONIGHT

The Schubert Club, under the direction of Frederic King, will give a recital at the Oak Bay United Church Tuesday evening at 8:15.

The choral part of the program has been well chosen and consists of numbers by Schubert, Tschalkowsky, Dudley Buck and other well known composers. There will also be soprano and contralto solos by members of the organization.

The guest soloist of the evening will be Stanley Bell, the well-known cellist, formerly of Seattle and now the leading cellist of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra.

The organist of the church, Lawton Partington, will also be heard in two numbers on the electric organ, recently installed in the church.

The accompanists for the evening will be Helen Ockenden and Margaret Green.

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SCOUT NEWS
ST. MARY'S TROOP
The meeting of St. Mary's Troop was opened on Friday evening by duty second Alan Wright, with 30 Scouts and leaders present. Service stars were given out to the following: Johnny Jones, three-year star, and Quentin Lake and Selby Taylor, two-year stars. The list of events for the Scout "swimming" gala on May 12 was also given out, and T. L. Tom Clark appointed captain of the troop team. Following roll-call and inspection, a short period of marching practice was held. Following some lively games, instruction in second-class subjects and first-class signalling was given. The meeting closed with a court of honor of patrol leaders. During the evening a new recruit, Lawrence Wilson, was welcomed to the troop.

FIRST CATHEDRAL TROOP
The weekly meeting of the First Cathedral Troop was held on Friday. R. Wood, duty patrol leader, opened the meeting with flag break. After inspection a game of release was enjoyed. A short instruction period followed. The Hawk patrol was made duty patrol for the meeting.

NORTH QUADRA CUBS
The weekly meeting of the North Quadra Cub Pack was held Thursday evening last. The meeting opened with flag break and the grand howl followed by inspection. Jimmie Pritchard and Lyman Gurney passed all their tests and were awarded their first stars. The Red Six won the trophy for March. The meeting closed with flag down and prayers.

LANGFORD LEGION
At a recent executive meeting of Prince Edward branch, Langford Legion, it was decided to hold the last bridge and 500 card party tomorrow evening at 8 in the Legion Hall, Langford. Two special prizes for grand totals will be given, in addition to regular prizes. A painting bee will be held on Saturday, April 29, to paint the outside of Legion Hall. All members wishing to help are asked to send in their names to the secretary at once.

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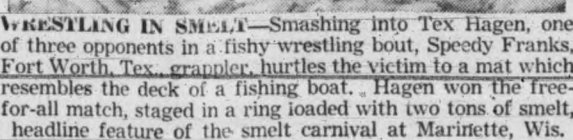
Pay As They Win

LONDON—Football is big business in England, so H. William, former pro, is going to capitalize on it, offering his services as consultant to teams, advice to be paid for according to results.

According to Warren W. Martin, local "Y" badminton head, the annual tourney is expected to be held in Victoria next year.

'Y' Track Team Starts Season

NORTHAMPTON—The Northamptonshire Cricket Club's bank account needs a little bolstering. At the annual meeting it was announced the club had 10 shillings (£2.40) to its account.



to believe, Edgar Laprade turned in an even more brilliant performance than in the previous three games when he had been the key man of the western team. Not far behind him in individual brilliance was Morin, who scored in each of the four games.

Vic Painter Medal Winner

the opposition in the tight in every game despite the had a lighter scrum behind. Praise to Tanji Moran, Beaumont, Campbell Forb Bert Simpson was also given Cabeldu for their ability field of play.

COMMERCIAL SOFTBALL

A meeting of the Commercial Softball League will be held this evening at 8, in the Colorado room, when officers will be elected and team registration accepted.

Dominoes on top 29 to 11 at h time.

From this point to the final Dominoes always looked winners.

Windsor, as in the first game did lots of substituting, all in of their players seeing action

to its account.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE, with Major Hoople



OUT OUR WAY—

By Williams



Uncle Ray

Men Who Build Houses

7—THE LATHER

In times gone by, long, narrow wooden laths were nailed on the inside walls of a new home. That doesn't happen very much nowadays.

In the last 10 years, the rock lath or plaster board has come into its own, and so has the so-called "wire lath." Up-to-date new houses do not have wooden laths. A lathing expert tells me they are "out, except for patching."



Putting laths in new house.

We may say good-bye to the wooden lath without too much weeping. It was tinder for a fire inside the walls of homes. Many of the older type of houses would not have burned down so quickly if it had not been for such laths.

Watching lathers at work, I have noticed their great speed. They handle pieces of rock lath, each 16x48 inches, and put them in place so fast that a person wonders how they can do it. I timed a lather, and found he drove in five nails in five seconds. He wasn't "trying for a record," but was just working in his usual way.

"The lathing trade is the fastest in the world," said R. V. Fessenden, a man who has been in the field for many years and now has a large crew of assistants. He happens also to be a billiard player who time and again has won championships, and has promised some day to teach me fine points of the game.

"A lather drives in about 20 nails for each board," he added. "The boards are made of plaster, and are coated with paper. They will crumble in intense fire, but the plaster in them does not burn. Another good thing about the rock lath is that it does not shrink."

The lather pounds nails with a hammering tool on one side, and on the other side it has a small, sharp blade which is valuable for cutting a crease across a piece of the rock lath. After the cut is made, it is a simple thing to break the board neatly along the line. This is done to fit the laths in corners, and around windows and doors.

In a day's work, a lather may drive from 6,000 to 12,000 nails. It takes one man about half a day to put the laths on a room 10 feet wide, 12 feet long, and eight feet high. He can do two such rooms in a day.

The lathers are so well practiced in speed that they have kept it up in putting on wire lath. Being made of metal, this kind of lath holds back fire even better than rock lath.

Strips of wire lath come in different sizes. They may be from 16 to 32 inches wide, and have a length of eight feet.

HOROSCOPE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1939

Good and ill contend for domination in the planetary influences for today, according to astrology. The morning hours should be helpful and stimulating.

This is a promising day for trade and commerce. Buying and selling should be extremely active with strong impulse toward expansion on the part of merchants and manufacturers.

Criticism of persons in official positions will be keen, for secrecy will be necessary regarding many international exigencies.

Women should find this a fortunate configuration under which to promote their heart interests. It is a lucky day for engagements and weddings.

For the young who establish new homes the stars seem to promise aid from elders or employers. Inclination to help the rising generation will be widespread among those who feel they have not prepared a happy heritage for the nation.

Honors for officers of the army and navy are prophesied. Promotions and decorations will be numerous before the autumn.

Australia and New Zealand probably will enjoy prosperity through the summer, but they are warned against a tendency to be too independent in attitude toward the British government.

Earthquakes may be felt on the Pacific Coast but there will be little damage.

Persons whose birthdate it is

SIDE GLANCES

By George Clark



"I'm doing my best to hurry them. I've invited 80 people to the housewarming two weeks from today."

Dorothy Dix's Letter Box

DEAR MISS DIX—I am a young man of 20, a graduate of junior college and ready to begin the business of life. My mother and father are divorced. My mother is remarried and for the last 16 years I have lived with her and my stepfather, who have supported me moderately. My stepfather has been very kind to me and I am very fond of him, but he is a man of small means and will never be able to help me in any way. On the other hand, my own father is quite wealthy, has never mistreated me, and is now anxious to have me come to him and is offering me a good position in a firm in which he is largely the owner. It is a position which offers me a definite future. My mother objects to my leaving her because she feels that my father's influence will be detrimental to me. She doesn't even want me to correspond with my father, or to accept any money from him. She divorced him because of his morals, but he has in some respects reformed. Should I take this chance of a lifetime, assume my father's name and make my home with him and perhaps take chances of personal degradation through his influence? Or should I continue living with my mother and patiently hope for some other chance in this modern world of trial and hardship?

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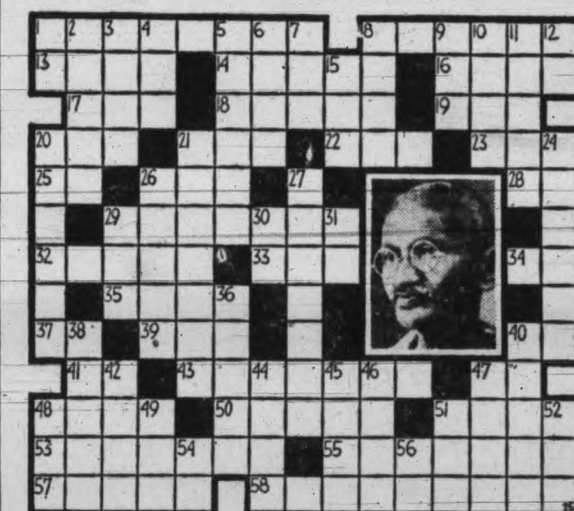
Answer: I would have to know a great deal more than you tell about your father's character to be able to even express an opinion about what you should do. Unless, however, he is a debauchee of the lowest type I do not think there would be any danger of his attempting to undermine your moral character.

No matter how low a man falls himself, he wants his children to stand on the heights. No drunkard wants to see his son a sot. No libertine wants his daughter to have the loose morals of the scarlet women with whom he associates. No one can preach such eloquent sermons against the evils of gambling as the down-and-out sports who hang around gaming houses and racetracks.

Still and all, youth is impressionable, and if you feel the atmosphere in which you would live if you went to your father would be demoralizing, you would be well advised to stay with your mother. It doesn't pay in health or happiness or any real success in life to sell your soul for a mess of pottage.

DOROTHY DIX.

Today's Crossword Puzzle



1 Across	Behold.	15 Across	The deep.
2 Across	Indian leader.	16 Across	He works to gain rights for the—
3 Across	43 Violent disruption.	17 Across	for the—
4 Across	47 Sun god.	18 Across	21 Came to see.
5 Across	48 Sleepers' couches.	19 Across	24 Citizen by birth.
6 Across	50 Pathway between seats.	20 Across	26 Low caste in Hindustan.
7 Across	51 Mythical tale.	21 Across	27 A liar.
8 Across	52 Agreeable.	22 Across	29 To exhaust.
9 Across	53 Betroths.	23 Across	31 To leave.
10 Across	54 This leader lives a simple life.	24 Across	36 To rob.
11 Across	55 He is the most famous of 12 Substitutes.	25 Across	38 Oleoresin.
12 Across	56 Norse deity.	26 Across	40 Stake.
13 Across	57 Musical note.	27 Across	42 Coffin frame.
14 Across	58 He protests against wrongs by—	28 Across	43 Musical character.
15 Across	32 Cavalry corps.	29 Across	44 Cotton fabric.
16 Across	33 Peasant.	30 Across	47 Wrath.
17 Across	34 Jumbled type.	31 Across	48 Sound of contempt.
18 Across	35 Channels.	32 Across	49 Sorrowful.
19 Across	36 Southeastern.	33 Across	51 To soften leather.
20 Across	37 To rot flax.	34 Across	52 Klang.
21 Across	40 You and I.	35 Across	54 Bushel (abbr.).
		36 Across	56 Grain (abbr.).

have the augury of a year of good fortune. For the young, courtship and happy marriage are indicated. Children born on this day should be exceedingly lucky, but they may enjoy luxury and pleasure too much. These subjects of Taurus are generally kindly and easy-going.

Boots and Her Buddies



Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



Mr. and Mrs.



Alley Oop

By V. T. Hamlin



Freckles and His Friends

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Ko-Ko Nuts Register Hit

Turn in Polished Performance in First Staging Of Minstrel Show

His short, stocky figure decked out in loud check and striped suits; his face as black as the ace of spades except for a broad smear of crimson around his mouth and the whites of his eyes, Carleton W. Stocker turned in a "five-bell" performance last night at the Royal Victoria Theatre to steal the spotlight in the first presentation of "Black Ko-Ko Nuts" by the Royal Arcanum Minstrels. The show will be repeated tonight.

In fact, it was almost a complete "Stocker night." Not only did he star, but he also wrote the play and directed its staging and production.

The fact that Mr. Stocker was the victim of a bad case of laryngitis and was forced to use a loud speaker system, did not hamper his performance, although it probably gave his throat a lot of punishment. The truth of the matter is that the case of laryngitis gave his voice just the right touch to make the execution of his roles perfect.

He showed that he had lost none of his finesse as a minstrel show comedian. His acting bordered on perfection and drew much hearty laughter. He took the parts of Useless Calamity, possessed by Slim Jones (Douglas Park), and forced to do everything he doesn't want to do, and Lord High Executioner in the "Mikado," and was an end man of the minstrel circle.

The 1,000 first-nighters who attended the theatre to witness the three-act production, which is being staged in aid of the Sojourners, appeared to enjoy the three-hour show. There was a liberal amount of humor, especially when Producer Useless Calamity attempted the production of the opera "Mikado" (a completely foreign field of entertainment to him), and the vocal end got a good reception from the first-nighters, especially the old southern songs.

PARK SHARES SPOT

Another member of the cast who gained a share of the spotlight was Douglas Park, who played the roles of Slim Jones and the Great Mikado, and was an end man. Tom Kelway's singing of "River, Stay Away From My Door" was very popular and an encore was demanded. Mr. Kelway also played the role of Nanki Poo in the "Mikado." Douglas Flintoff enacted the role of High Ruler Noah, head of the colored lodge in Birmingham, Ala., U.S.A., an important "personage" (and knows it), splendidly. Another highlight of the show was the antics of the "Three Little Maids From School" in the "Mikado," played by Messrs. Flintoff, B. Applegate and H. Warburton. Their Japanese costumes were a scream.

Mr. Kelway turned in a good performance in the role of Samuel Sneed, alias Slippery Sam. The lodge finds it has become "financially embarrassed" and Sneed comes forward with a plan to get the lodge out of the red. He says he knows a colored gentleman who can stage the "Mikado" for the lodge, but finds the man he had in mind had skipped town.

In the meantime, the High Ruler Noah, a gentleman who rules the lodge with a heavy hand, has changed the contract Sneed presented to him to carry out his plan to read that in the event Sneed couldn't get the producer he was to put the show on himself. Sneed, a fancy-dressed negro about town, finds himself in kind of deep and was at the point of despair when he bumps into two old down-at-the-heel vaudeville actors he used to know (Park and Stocker), and manages to get them to consent to stage the "Mikado," despite the fact that neither knew anything about opera, for a certain money consideration. The attempt to stage the opera falls flat and to escape punishment and maybe jail, Sneed's two "hired" men get to the lodge the necessary funds, by doing what they should have done in the first place — the staging of a minstrel show, which is the final

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WILD DOINGS ON SHIP AT HALIFAX

Lascar Seamen Riled When Sheep Not Available for Food

HALIFAX (CP)—Things were pretty wild aboard the British steamship City of Singapore to day. Among them were 12 gibbons, the ship's captain, F. R. Wilkins, and a number of Mohammedan seamen, mostly Lascars.

The gibbons were wild because they were born that way. The Mohammedans were wild because they wanted a sheep, and Capt. Wilkins was wild because he could not find one.

A part of the Mohammedan religion demands ships on which its adherents work must carry live sheep. When the Singapore arrived here yesterday the sheep were ordered destroyed because the ship had come from China ports. Hoof-and-mouth disease is prevalent in that region.

Early today, a few hours from sailing time, there were no sheep to be had. The Mohammedans, meanwhile, knew little English, but they made a good job of saying "No sheep, no sail."

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Pilot Acquires Major Airline

NEW YORK (AP)—A pilot who learned to fly 18 years ago when he was earning \$25 a week gained working control, with a group of associates, of one of the country's major airlines today.

Jack Frye, president of Transcontinental and Western Air Inc., bought from Lehman Brothers, the banking house, the largest single block of stock in the company.

The number of shares involved and the price paid were not announced.

Acting with Frye were Paul E. Richter—whom Frye taught to fly several years before they went into the airline business—and an unidentified group of other men.

Spoken By Wireless

April 24, 8 p.m.—Shipping:
EMPRESS OF CANADA, Yokohama for Victoria via Honolulu, 1,146 miles from Honolulu.
LOCHABRA, London for Victoria, left Los Angeles for San Francisco, 6 p.m.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, Victoria for Orient via Honolulu, 1,154 miles from Yokohama.
LANSHIRE, for Vancouver, 1,000 miles from Vancouver.
NYANZA, Singapore for Vancouver, 650 miles from Victoria.
MOORBY, Portland for Victoria, leaving Columbia River.
TEXADA, San Francisco for Seattle, 223 miles from Seattle.
CATALPA, off West River, 7 p.m., north-bound.
LA PLACENTA, San Pedro for Vancouver, 435 miles from Vancouver.
April 25, noon—Weather:
Eastern—Rain; S.E. fresh; 29.66; 63; sea rough.
Pachena—Rain; S.E. moderate; 29.55; 44; sea rough.
Seattle—Rain; S.E. strong; 29.47; 44; sea rough.
Cape Lazo—Overcast; S.E. strong; 29.47; 44; sea rough.

FISHERY VESSEL RUNS TRIALS

Ms. Kitimat Was Designed for Service Speed of 12 Knots

VANCOUVER (CP)—Official trials of the motorship Kitimat, the new 87-foot fishery patrol vessel of the Dominion Department of Fisheries, were run yesterday in the Gulf of Georgia.

The ship is designed to have a speed of approximately 12 knots and was built by W. R. Menchions in Vancouver.

The power plant is of 180 horsepower.

On board, during the trials were W. R. Menchions, T. Halliday, the designer; Steamboat Inspector Brydon, Major J. A. Motherwell, chief supervisor of fisheries; Norman Sawers and W. Vivian.

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Special Fares For Royal Visit

VANCOUVER—Canadian rail ways are offering special low fares for all parts of the Dominion to facilitate travel to cities where Their Majesties the King and Queen will make extended official stops during their forthcoming tour.

So far as British Columbia is concerned, Victoria and Vancouver, where Their Majesties will be making extended motor tours, are chief focal points of interest, and heavy travel to these cities is anticipated.

The fares apply to all parts of the province, except Vancouver Island, in respect to travel to Vancouver, and from all parts of Vancouver Island in respect to travel to Victoria.

Bargain fares will be good for the going trip, May 27, 28, 29, and 30 for the mainland, and May 28, 29 and 30 from Vancouver Island points, and carry a return limit to May 30 for the mainland and May 31 for Vancouver Island.

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FREE DUTY GOODS CLIMB IN VALUE

No Tax On \$8,940.974 Worth of Merchandise Brought Here From U.S.

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Around the Docks

BIG CITRUS CARGO DUE ON MODAVIA

One of the largest citrus shipments to be delivered at this port will be discharged at the Rithet docks Thursday by the Donaldson Ms. Modavia.

The Modavia's cargo for Victoria this trip totals 510 tons, and includes 325 tons of citrus fruits from southern California.

Bob Cumberbirch, shipping manager for Rithet Consolidated Limited, agents for the Donaldson Line, was advised this morning that the Modavia will arrive here from Glasgow via Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle, on Wednesday night, and will commence discharging early Thursday.

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Cromarty Due Here

Temporary repairs to the British freighter Cromarty, which was damaged by fire in her engine-room at Vancouver, have been completed by the Burrard Drydock Co. at a cost of \$10,000, and the vessel is now expected here to stow lumber cargo for the United Kingdom.

Princess Joan Resumes

After being drydocked by the V.M.D. at Esquimalt for propeller inspection, Ss. Princess Joan was refloated yesterday afternoon and took the midnight sailing to Vancouver.

Armentieres On Ways

H.M.C.S. Armentieres was hauled out at the Bay Street plant of the Victoria Machinery Depot Ltd. yesterday for general overhaul. She will be refloated tomorrow and will return to Esquimalt.

New Lumber Charters

Six new charters are announced by the Anglo-Canadian Shipping Company Limited for B.C. loading in May and early June.

Norwegian Ms. Herstein is scheduled to arrive May 14 to stow cargo for Hull, England.

Other ships listed are British Ss. Bencherach, May 15, for London; British Ss. Rushpool, May 16, for Liverpool; British Ss. Langlecrag, May 25, for Hull; Greek Ss. Michael Goulardis, May 30, for Southampton, and British Ss. Kinross, June 2, for Grangemouth.

Restorer at Midway

Cable word was received this morning by Mrs. Fleming, wife of Capt. C. M. C. Fleming, commander of Ss. Restorer, that the cable ship arrived at Midway Island last night.

The Restorer sailed from Victoria on the afternoon of April 15. She will return here in a few weeks' time after completing cable repairs at the mid-Pacific island.

Third of Fleet in Week

British freighter Trefusis, scheduled to clear from the Canadian National docks early this afternoon for Port Alberni, is the third vessel of the Hain Steamship Co. Ltd., to load lumber here within a week.

She was immediately preceded by the Treverbyn and the Trekieve.

Ship Movements

Sailed Cherbourg, April 22, Aquitania, New York; Liverpool, April 23, Britannica, New York; Yokohama, April 21, Empress of Canada, Vancouver; Liverpool, April 23, Titan, for Seattle; Rotterdam, April 21, Anneliese Essberger, Vancouver; Shields, April 22, Scottish Star, Vancouver.

PANAMA CANAL, April 24 (AP)—Passed east: Point Judith, Los Angeles for New Orleans; Arkansas Maru (Jap) Yokohama for New York; Holywood, Los Angeles for New York; Kiyohama Maru (Jap) Yokohama for New York; Santa Inez, Antofagasta for New York; Steel Inventor, Los Angeles for New Orleans. Passed west: Georgian, New York for New Orleans; Munster Castle, New York for Shanghai.

Canadians Katharine leaves Victoria for Vancouver daily at 1:55 p.m.; arrives Vancouver, 7:30 p.m.

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Wheat

WINNIPEG (CP)—Late session gains at Chicago due to unfavorable crop reports from the United States winter wheat belt, together with export sales of Canadian wheat estimated at 500,000 bushels, brought gains of nearly a cent to Winnipeg wheat futures prices today. Final quotations were 3/4 to 1/2 cent higher, May at 61 1/2, July 62 1/2 and October 63 1/2.

Export business included the sale of a full load to a Scottish mill. Reports that consignment may be enforced in Great Britain aided the late bullish trend.

Liverpool dropped 3/4 to 1/2 cent. Chicago jumped nearly a cent, while Buenos Aires was unchanged to 1/4 cent off.

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Slight Forward Move

NEW YORK (AP)—Buyers in today's market acquired stocks on a hand-to-mouth basis and, in another of the most sluggish sessions since last June, leading issues edged forward fractions to a point at the finish. Top markets were lowered at the finish.

Europe again dominated the market news picture, almost obscuring the few fairly hopeful items that appeared in the domestic sector.

With the ticker tape frequently halting, transfers for the five hours approximated 400,000 shares.

Favored the greater part of the day were U.S. Steel, Bethlehem, Santa Fe, Great Northern, Westinghouse, General Motors, Chrysler, Sears-Roebuck, Kennecott, Texas Corp., U.S. Rubber and Johns-Manville.

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Smelters Holds Gain

MONTREAL (CP)—Stock market prices continued to fluctuate in alternate buying and selling late today.

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